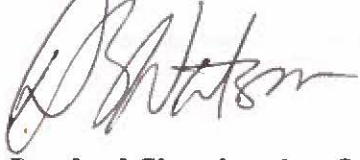


**SOUTH PASADENA POLICE DEPARTMENT  
EXTERNAL CORRESPONDENCE**

December 9, 2003

TO: Sean Joyce, City Manager  
FROM: Daniel B. Watson, Chief of Police   
SUBJECT: **Administrative Review of Officer-Involved-Shooting that Occurred on  
March 8, 2003 Involving Officer Abdalla and Reserve Officer Lucero**

Attached are the original copies of the following reports associated with the Officer-Involved-Shooting (OIS) involving Officers Abdalla and Lucero that occurred on March 8, 2003:

South Pasadena Police Department Administrative Report that addresses Department policies.

Correspondence from the Los Angeles District Attorney that concludes the officers "acted lawfully in self-defense and in defense of one another."

The criminal investigation of the incident that was conducted by the Los Angeles County Sheriffs Department.

South Pasadena Police Department administrative report that analyzes discrepancies in the criminal investigation.

South Pasadena Police Department pursuit policies.

The criminal investigation and District Attorney review are concluded and no further action needs to be taken.

The Administrative Report addresses the officers' actions in relation to Department policies on vehicular pursuits and use of lethal force. It also analyzes whether the officers' tactics were consistent with Department training. I agree with the recommendations that the officers complied with the policies related to pursuits and use of lethal force, and that their tactics were consistent with Department training.

I recommend that this investigation be closed and filed in the Police Department. To date there has been no litigation presented regarding this incident.

I am free to discuss this in detail with you at your convenience.

C: Officer Abdalla  
Reserve Officer Lucero

Approved   
12-11-03



POLICE DEPARTMENT

# CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA

Daniel B. Watson, Chief of Police

To: Chief Watson *D. Watson*

From: Sgt. Payne *SP*

Via: Capt. Ward *mw*

Date: December 9, 2003

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CHIEF'S OFFICE

**Subj: IA 2003-12 Administrative Review of Officer Involved Shooting;  
Officer Anthony Abdalla and Reserve Officer Anthony Lucero;  
Decedent Amador Pollerana**

Chief Watson:

This officer involved shooting and the resulting loss of life by decedent Amador Pollerana has been exhaustively investigated by three independent law enforcement agencies: Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (File# 003-00028-3199-013); Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office (File#03-0187); and South Pasadena Police Department (File#03-0609). The LASD report was a comprehensive investigation that was forwarded to the LACO District Attorney.

The District Attorney's Justice System Integrity Division reviewed the Sheriff's investigation and separately viewed the evidence in this matter, and concluded that Officer Anthony Abdalla and Reserve Officer Anthony Lucero acted legally and justifiably in self-defense of themselves and others in the use of deadly force against Mr. Pollerana. **Addendum One.**

In that the use of deadly force was investigated by the Sheriff's Department and its justifiable use concluded by the District Attorney, this review will focus on the policies and procedures that are applicable to this incident. This report will conclude with a brief description of the officer-involved shooting compiled from radio transmissions, officer and witness accounts, and videotape from the in-car camera system deployed in R/Off. Lucero's patrol vehicle.

The following policies, procedures, and training issues will be addressed in this report and will be stated in detail in each section of the report. They are: **Pursuit**



**policy; Use of deadly force; Officer safety and tactics, and safety of the public.**

### **Overview of Events**

On March 8, 2003 at about 1920 hours, Reserve Officer Tony Lucero was on patrol in a marked, black and white patrol vehicle with overhead emergency lights and full emergency equipment. R/Off. Lucero was in the area of the 100-200 block of Pasadena Ave. near the border with the city of Los Angeles.

At the same time, Officer Tony Abdalla, also driving an identically equipped patrol vehicle, was backing Officer [REDACTED] [REDACTED] on an unrelated traffic stop in the 100 block of Pasadena Ave.

The decedent, later identified as Amador Pollerana, was driving his personal vehicle, a black Toyota pickup traveling west in the 100-200 blocks Pasadena Ave. Mr. Pollerana was driving at an undetermined high rate of speed with out headlights on during darkness. Mr. Pollerana's vehicle was observed by Off. Abdalla and Off. [REDACTED] as he passed their location. According to subsequent statements by Off. Abdalla, Mr. Pollerana was driving in such an unsafe manner that he told Off. [REDACTED] he was going to clear from the backup and attempt to stop Mr. Pollerana.

As Off. Abdalla went to his unit he observed R/Off. Lucero was following Mr. Pollerana. R/Off. Lucero had his red and blue overhead light on. According to subsequent statements of R/Off. Lucero, he was attempting to make a traffic stop on Mr. Pollerana for the violation. As R/Off. Lucero activated his overhead lights he observed Mr. Pollerana driving recklessly and making unsafe lane changes. Since Off. Abdalla saw R/Off. Lucero following the vehicle, he did not immediately get into his vehicle to follow the driver. The driver of the vehicle crossed over into the city of Los Angeles.

As R/Off. Lucero attempted to make the traffic stop, he also sounded the siren and shined his spotlight into the rearview mirror of Mr. Pollerana's vehicle. Mr. Pollerana failed to yield to the red lights and siren and made a right, north turn onto Ave. 64 at an unsafe speed. R/Off. Lucero then radioed that the driver was failing to yield. According to R/Off. Lucero, the driver looked in his rearview mirror at his police vehicle and R/Off. Lucero believed the driver knew he was being followed by a police vehicle and the failure to yield was intentional.

Due to the unsafe manner in which Mr. Pollerana was driving his vehicle, R/Off. Lucero believed that Mr. Pollerana was a danger to traffic and pedestrians in the immediate area. R/Off. Lucero radioed that he was in pursuit of the driver. Mr. Pollerana had made a left and right turn and had entered onto Figueroa St., a heavily traveled north/south thoroughfare in the North East area of the city of Los Angeles. R/Off. Lucero's vehicle was equipped with an in-car camera system and

as R/Off. Lucero went into code three mode the camera automatically began recording the pursuit.

Off. Abdalla, hearing the broadcast of the failure to yield, got into his police vehicle and caught up with R/Off. Lucero near Figueroa and Yosemite. Off. Abdalla began to call the pursuit to dispatch. Off. Abdalla also noted that Mr. Pollerana nearly struck a woman and child in the crosswalk and was running red lights while passing through intersections.

The pursuit continued north on Figueroa to Colorado. Mr. Pollerana turned east on Colorado and continued on Colorado into the city of Pasadena. As will be explained in further detail later, due to an unrelated robbery call at the Rite-Aid, 914 Fair Oaks, the officers disengaged the pursuit. R/Off. Lucero and Off. Abdalla were directed by the watch commander, Sgt. [REDACTED] to discontinue the pursuit and respond back to the city to the robbery call. Both officers acknowledged Sgt. [REDACTED] and shut down their lights and sirens. **Note: There is no evidence that the officers believed the robbery and the fleeing vehicle driven by Mr. Pollerana were related.**

The officers were returning to the city, while at the same time following Mr. Pollerana east on Colorado at a reduced speed. After a brief time, the dispatcher advised field units that the suspect in the robbery had fled the scene and his whereabouts were unknown. It was reported that the suspect had dropped his weapon, which was found to be a toy gun.

Upon learning this, Off. Abdalla requested permission from Sgt. [REDACTED] to re-engage the pursuit. Mr. Pollerana was still driving in an erratic manner and showed no signs of lessening his danger to motorists and pedestrians. Sgt. [REDACTED] approved the request and Off. Abdalla re-engaged, taking over as lead car in the pursuit.

As the officers entered into the city of Pasadena, Mr. Pollerana continued east on Colorado into Old Town, a popular shopping and dining district in west Pasadena. Due to heavy vehicle and pedestrian traffic, Mr. Pollerana slowed down considerably.

After reaching the intersection of Colorado and Pasadena Ave., which is the western edge of Old Town, Mr. Pollerana continued east on Colorado to Delacy, a distance of one block. Because of heavy traffic on Colorado, Mr. Pollerana traveled for a short distance on Colorado on the wrong side of the street, going east in the number one westbound lane. At Delacy, Mr. Pollerana turned left/north for two blocks to Holly St. The duration of the pursuit through Old Town was for one block on Colorado, between Pasadena Ave. and Delacy, and one block on Delacy between Colorado and Union. Once the pursuit reached Delacy and Union, the heavy pedestrian and vehicle traffic of Old Town was considerably lessened. The in-car camera on board R/Off. Lucero's patrol vehicle

showed heavy vehicle and pedestrian traffic throughout Old Town, typical for a Saturday night.

Upon reaching Holly St., Mr. Pollerana turned right on Holly and came to a stop on Holly, just west of Fair Oaks. Holly St. is barricaded at Fair Oaks with vertical steel poles and Mr. Pollerana was forced to come to a stop. It is not known if Mr. Pollerana would have continued had the street not been blocked.

Mr. Pollerana came to a stop and exited from his vehicle. Off. Abdalla stopped his police vehicle to the left rear of Mr. Pollerana's vehicle about 20 feet to the rear and R/Off. Lucero stopped his vehicle to the offset left of Off. Abdalla's vehicle. The vehicle positions are documented on the videotape from R/Off. Lucero's in-car camera. The positions of the police vehicles are in a typical high-risk vehicle stop position in relation to Mr. Pollerana's vehicle. Off. Abdalla reported over the radio that they had the vehicle stopped.

Immediately upon exiting his vehicle, Mr. Pollerana faced both officers and pointed a handgun at the officers. It was later determined that the gun was a *Marksman* replica .45 pistol BB gun.

According to officer statements, witness statements, and radio transmissions from Off. Abdalla and R/Off. Lucero, both officers immediately advised dispatch that Mr. Pollerana had a gun. Both officers repeatedly yelled for him to drop the gun. Some witnesses claim they heard as many as ten commands to drop the gun. **Ad. 2 Pgs. 4-7.**

The in-car camera videotape clearly shows Mr. Pollerana pointing what appeared to be a black pistol type handgun at both the officers. Both officers retreated to the rear of their police vehicles for cover while they continued to shout commands for Mr. Pollerana to drop his gun. Mr. Pollerana stood in the open next to the driver side of his vehicle with a gun in his outstretched right hand. It is not believed that Mr. Pollerana said anything at this time and the officers did not hear anything uttered by Mr. Pollerana.

R/Off. Lucero remained near the left rear of his police vehicle. Off. Abdalla retreated around the back of his police vehicle to the right rear side. As Off. Abdalla did so, Mr. Pollerana moved around the front of his pickup truck to the passenger side and move in the direction of Off. Abdalla. Officers continued to shout commands to drop the gun.

At this time, fearing for his life and the life of Off. Abdalla, whom Mr. Pollerana was advancing toward, as well as innocent civilians in the area, R/Officer Lucero fired one round from his duty weapon, a Glock 22. Almost simultaneously, Off. Abdalla fired two rounds from his duty weapon, also a Glock 22.

Mr. Pollerana immediately fell to the ground with what was later determined to be a fatal gunshot wound to the right chest that traveled in downward, right to left angle. This wound was found in the autopsy to have perforated the heart, right lung, liver, stomach, and spleen and was immediately fatal. Mr. Pollerana was pronounced dead on arrival to Huntington Hospital. Upon examination at the hospital, it was also learned that Mr. Pollerana suffered a non-fatal wound to his left foot that was through and through. The only bullet recovered at the autopsy was the one that caused the chest wound taken from the chest/stomach cavity of Mr. Pollerana. The bullet that caused the foot wound was not recovered as well as the third round fired that did not strike Mr. Pollerana.

As is the policy of the South Pasadena Police Dept., the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Homicide Bureau was called in to investigate the officer involved shooting. With the assistance of Pasadena and South Pasadena Police detectives and Pasadena PD crime scene investigators, an investigation commenced. **Addendum Two.**

It was later determined after completion of the Sheriff's report that the fatal bullet was fired by R/Off. Lucero and the bullet wound to the foot was inflicted by Off. Abdalla. Although the Sheriff's report was not conclusive as to which officer fired the fatal round, it was determined that it was fired by R/Off. Lucero. The ballistics report from the Sheriff's crime lab was inconclusive due to the similar rifling characteristics of both Glock handguns. The criminalist could not conclusively link the recovered round to either of the Glocks. Upon further investigation, however, it was determined that the ammunition used by R/Off. Lucero was of a different type than that used by Off. Abdalla. The criminalist identified the fatal bullet as a *Winchester* "Silvertip". Silvertip ammunition was the type used by R/Off. Lucero, while Off. Abdalla's weapon was loaded with *Winchester* "Ranger SXT" ammunition. This determination is detailed in **Addendum Three.**

After all available information was collected by investigators and the Sheriff's report was analyzed by the District Attorney's office, it was concluded that Mr. Pollerana's actions were intentional and carefully considered by Mr. Pollerana to cause the officers to use deadly force in order to end his life. The DA report specifically uses the term "suicide by cop" and cites a December 1998 study by the same title from the *Annals of Emergency Medicine*, as well as case law citing the use of deadly force in self-defense as justifiable homicide. **Ad. 1, Pg. 5.**

The remaining portion of this report will address the policies, procedures, training issues, and recommendations that pertain to this event.

### **Pursuit Policy**

The pursuit policy of the South Pasadena Police Department has changed over time in order to address legal issues and court decisions in order to comply with newly decided case law.



The South Pasadena Police duty manual addresses pursuit policy in section 270, Police Vehicle Pursuits. **Addendum Four**. This policy, established by former Police Chief Tom Mahoney is a comprehensive policy that, at the time, was consistent with a model police pursuit policy drafted by the Los Angeles County Police Chiefs' Association.

The policy requires that the on-duty watch commander closely monitor the progress of the pursuit based on information provided by the secondary unit regarding the reason for initiating the pursuit, traffic conditions, weather and road conditions, and if continuation of the pursuit will result in a more hazardous situation versus discontinuation of the pursuit. Ideally, decisions are to be made based on whether the need to apprehend the violator outweighs the danger caused by continuation of the pursuit.

## **270                    POLICE VEHICLE PURSUITS**

### **270.10 BACKGROUND**

A vehicle pursuit exposes the officer, the fleeing violator, pedestrians, drivers and passengers of other motor vehicles to the possibility of death or serious injury. Pursuits may also result in damage to personal property.

**When engaged in a pursuit, and when deciding whether the pursuit should be continued, officers should weigh the seriousness of the violator's suspected crime against the potential of death or injury if the chase is continued.**

Officers should not assume that all persons who flee from the police and refuse to yield are felons. Experience has shown that many pursuits involve misdemeanor violations only.

In the heat of a pursuit, the violator frequently refuses to give up and the officer likewise feels an obligation to succeed. This psychological phenomenon can affect an officer's judgment and may cause the officer to continue a pursuit beyond the point where common sense and good judgment would require the pursuit to be terminated.

Subsequent interim policies dated June 3, 1997, **Addendum Five**, enacted by interim Police Chief John Anderson made pursuits more restrictive, however, still designed with the same purpose: "It shall be the policy of this Department that pursuits are permitted only when the necessity of immediate apprehension outweighs the degree of danger created by the pursuit...". **Ad. 5, Pg. 3.**

Interim Chief Anderson's policy does not allow continuation of a pursuit for infractions such as common vehicle code violations. However, subsection (g) allows an exception, "Where the violator is being stopped for driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs [and] the suspect's driving prior to the attempted stop is so flagrantly reckless that he presents a clear and present danger to other users of the highway, and failure to apprehend the violator would result in an imminent and life threatening danger to the public..."

Although not articulated at the time, there is evidence to suggest Mr. Pollerana may have been a DUI driver, supported by his manner of driving, i.e. driving during darkness without headlight at a high rate of speed, unsafe lane changes and unsafe turning movements. This manner of driving is typical of a driver under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

Both policies of Chief Mahoney and interim Chief Anderson focused on the role of the supervisor to monitor the conditions of the pursuit and determine if the pursuit should continue or be terminated. The transcripts of the radio transmissions during this pursuit show that Sgt. [REDACTED] the on-duty watch commander was monitoring the pursuit.

An examination of the radio traffic and the in-car camera in R/Off. Lucero's police vehicle provides a detailed description of events during the pursuit. Initiation of the pursuit is within the guidelines that address misdemeanor driving offenses. Traffic conditions during the majority of the pursuit were moderate with the exception of Old Town Pasadena (to be addressed). The pursuit covered a distance of about five miles and over a time of less than five minutes. This would not be considered an unreasonable time or distance. The internal clock on the in-car camera system shows R/Off. Lucero engaged the code three mode at 19:32:02 and the pursuit ended at 19:36:55.

Although Sgt. [REDACTED] did not direct a termination of the pursuit due to weather or road conditions, he did direct the officers to discontinue due to the robbery call at Rite-Aid. The time was 19:33:47, one minute and 45 seconds after the initiation of the pursuit, according to the internal clock on the in-car camera. The officers acknowledged Sgt. [REDACTED] direction and is supported by examining the radio tape and the in-car camera. Emergency equipment was shut down and the officers reported they were enroute back to South Pasadena.

The path the officers took east on Colorado would have been the obvious route back to the city, which was the same street and direction that Mr. Pollerana continued to follow. In order to monitor Mr. Pollerana's vehicle and provide some safety warnings for other motorists, the officers maintained the rear facing amber and blue lights activated on the light bars or arrow sticks. The in-car camera also indicates that speeds slowed somewhat.

Although road and traffic conditions were good, officers advised that Mr. Pollerana failed to yield to two pedestrians on Figueroa, ran a number of red lights, and swerved to the wrong side of the street when blocked by traffic. Within the intent of the department pursuit policy, conditions had not reached a point to where the danger of the pursuit outweighed the need to apprehend Mr. Pollerana. Clearly, before the pursuit was initiated, Mr. Pollerana's driving was a danger and evidence of possible DUI.

After the pursuit turned from Figueroa onto eastbound Colorado, the dispatcher advised that the robbery suspect from Rite-Aid had fled and his whereabouts were unknown. He had also discarded his weapon, which was found to be a toy gun. Upon learning this, Off. Abdalla requested permission from Sgt. [REDACTED] to re-engage the pursuit. Mr. Pollerana's vehicle was still in sight even after the brief discontinuation of the pursuit. Oddly enough, Mr. Pollerana was not taking extraordinary steps to lose the officers that were behind him. The in-car camera clock indicated the code three mode was re-engaged at 19:35:56.

Also within policy, the only two units in the pursuit were the [REDACTED] and secondary police vehicles, although other units were monitoring the pursuit for position to assist with the apprehension of Mr. Pollerana. Upon receiving authorization to re-engage the pursuit, Off. Abdalla took over as the [REDACTED] officer and R/Off. Lucero as the secondary. At this point, Mr. Pollerana was paralleling the 134 freeway and quickly approaching Orange Grove Av. in Pasadena.

Orange Grove is a short distance west of Old Town and at this point the pursuit is about to enter an area where continuation of the pursuit could become a clear danger to pedestrians and motorists, and the officers advise they are entering Old Town. The dynamics of the pursuit change somewhat.

Mr. Pollerana's vehicle slows down considerably, as do the officers. This is obviously due to heavy traffic, which is bumper-to-bumper. Mr. Pollerana's vehicle travels one block through heavy traffic and crosses over to the wrong side of the street. Mr. Pollerana then turns left onto Delacy and goes north to Holly St., leaving the Old Town area. The pursuit had gone for two blocks in Old Town traffic and a relatively slow speed. The in-car camera does not show any significant danger despite the heavy vehicle/pedestrian traffic. The pursuit is nearing its termination.

Upon reaching Holly St., Mr. Pollerana turns right onto Holly where he is forced to come to a stop due to the barricade. The pursuit is ended. The time was 19:36:55 according to the internal clock on the in-car camera.

Upon review of the pertinent policies and the conflict in pursuit policies, it should be noted that the police department duty manual is currently undergoing beginning-to-end revision. Within that revision will be an up-to-date pursuit policy

designed to address all current case law and statutes. Among these is legislation pending in Sacramento that is designed to standardize to some degree police pursuits throughout California. It is expected that future South Pasadena Police pursuit policy will mirror this pending legislation and it is not expected that any of the events that took place during this pursuit would be excluded.

It must be noted that although both officers had no way of knowing this at the time, it is clear as concluded by the District Attorney's office, that Mr. Pollerana's actions were designed to attract the attention of police officers. If Mr. Pollerana intended to cause the officers to shoot him, his behavior would appear to be consistent with setting his and their actions in motion toward a deadly confrontation. **Ad. 1, Pg. 5.**

For instance, at the time the officers were instructed to discontinue the pursuit, they slowed considerably. It is likely that Mr. Pollerana's driving was not intended to evade the officers, but to get them to follow him. At the moment the officers slowed, the distance between Mr. Pollerana's vehicle and the police vehicles grew considerably. This gap was then closed, not because the police vehicles increased in speed, but because Mr. Pollerana slowed significantly.

There is no evidence, despite the inherent level of danger in a police pursuit, that Mr. Pollerana intended to harm anyone but himself. Indeed, if Mr. Pollerana had continued through Old Town, existing policy would call for the pursuit to be discontinued. To lead the officers through the heavy traffic of Old Town would have increased considerably the possibility of a traffic accident and his chances of losing the officers or the pursuit being discontinued. For these reasons, it is reasonable to conclude that Mr. Pollerana intended to have the officers follow him until he pulled over and exited with a gun in his hand. **Ad. 1, Pg. 5.**

Officers and supervisors will continue to be subject to on-going training and oversight pertaining to police pursuits and policies will be continually updated to address evolving safety issues and case law.

#### **Recommendations:**

The police department is undergoing a revision of the pursuit policy, in order to remain current with case and statute law. Such revision is an ongoing process. Officers continue to receive ongoing training in order to keep their driving skills sharp as well as their knowledge of current legal issues.

This pursuit was within the current policy.

#### **Use of Deadly Force**

South Pasadena Police policy on the use of deadly force follows to the letter that of case and statutory law. **Ad. 1, Pg. 5**



From the South Pasadena Police Department Duty Manual:

### **750.15 THE USE OF FORCE**

Penal Code Section 835a allows officers to use the degree of force that is reasonably necessary to overcome any unlawful resistance or threat of resistance. If acting "reasonably" the officer shall not be deemed the aggressor or lose the right of self defense to effect an arrest or prevent escape.

In most cases there is a reasonable and logical progression in the amount of force used. The consideration of such is determined case-by-case. Examples of progression of force may include, but are not limited to:

- **Persuasion through dialog, then;**
- **Compliance by escort, then;**
- **Compliance with the application of pain or some other physical force, then;**
- **Impedence with impact weapons, then;**
- **Stopping with the use of deadly force.**

These examples are intended to only be a guide for officers when faced with a situation may involve the application of force. **Certain circumstances may warrant an accelerated reaction using a higher degree of force in the initial stage of the contact in lieu of the lesser degrees of force. This must be determined by the individual officer, who is faced with the totality of the circumstances at the time the decision to use force is made.**

### **750.20 SHOOTING POLICY**

Officers generally should not discharge firearms except under the following circumstances.

- At an approved range.
- Killing animals seriously wounded or dangerous.  
A supervisor should be contacted before a firearm is discharged under these circumstances, time permitting.
- When authorized by a superior officer.

- **When it reasonably appears their own or some other person's life is in danger.**
- To effect the capture of, or prevent the escape of a person who the officer has reasonable cause to believe is a dangerous fleeing felon and no other practical means are available to effect such capture or prevent such escape.

There is no doubt that a "use of deadly force" condition existed due entirely to the actions of Mr. Pollerana. **Ad. 1, Pg. 5.** One could question if the officers had reason to believe the weapon Mr. Pollerana pointed at the officers was not a firearm, but a BB gun.

However, to simply examine the weapon, even up close, one would not be reasonably expected to distinguish the difference. Only upon careful examination would that distinction become apparent. Even after Off. Lucero kicked the gun away, it was only after he secured the gun in his possession that the officers became aware it was a replica BB gun. It should be noted that the manufacturer intentionally designed this gun to appear identical to a *Colt .45* semi-automatic pistol.

Presuming the officers feared for their lives and those of others, did they take steps to prevent the use of deadly force? The answer is clearly "Yes". Audio tapes of the radio transmission clearly show both officers yelling repeated commands for Mr. Pollerana to drop the gun. Witnesses interviewed by Sheriff's investigations also all state they heard repeated commands in a loud shouted fashion by the officers to Mr. Pollerana to drop his gun. One witness believes he heard as many as ten commands between the two officers. The officers also shouted to each other that Mr. Pollerana had a gun and could both clearly see the weapon.

Even though the officers would have been legally justified to immediately use deadly force, they made reasonable attempts to allow Mr. Pollerana to drop his gun. Both officers retreated to positions of added safety while still shouting commands to drop the weapon.

Mr. Pollerana advanced slightly on the officers from the left side of his vehicle before moving around the front of his vehicle and to the right side. It was not until Mr. Pollerana aggressively advanced toward Off. Abdalla's position and compromised Off. Abdalla's safety that R/Off. Lucero fired his one and only round from his duty weapon, while Off. Abdalla fired two rounds.

The amount of time that Mr. Pollerana stood outside his vehicle was considerable. From the time the pursuit ended and Mr. Pollerana exited his vehicle with gun in hand, until the first round was fired by R/Off. Lucero, approximately 28 seconds had elapsed. According to the internal clock on the in-car camera, Mr. Pollerana exited

vehicle at 19:36:55. The first round was fired at 19:37:23. It cannot be said that this was not an adequate amount of time the officers afforded Mr. Pollerana to heed their commands to drop his weapon.

### **Recommendations:**

South Pasadena police officers train continuously in the use of force. The use of deadly force is the most difficult decision any police officer will have to make. A number of factors must be simultaneously considered along with attempts to disarm an armed individual. Only after all other reasonable attempts have failed is deadly force called for. At the same time, an officer may be forced to proceed directly from dialog to deadly force. That was the case in this matter.

From the time Mr. Pollerana exited his vehicle until Off. Lucero fired the first round, approximately 28 seconds elapsed. During this time both officers loudly ordered Mr. Pollerana to drop his weapon, by some witness accounts as many as ten times. Both officers believed the gun displayed by Mr. Pollerana was real and that their lives and the lives of others were in danger. Both officers fired their weapons in self defense.

The use of deadly force by R/Off. Lucero and Off. Abdalla was legally justified and within policy.

### **Officer Safety and Tactics; Safety of the Public**

During the pursuit, the position of the officers' vehicles and the distance maintained behind Mr. Pollerana's vehicle was consistent with proper police pursuit tactics. The radio traffic was kept to a minimum and the secondary pursuit unit called off the streets, direction of travel, traffic conditions, and speed. Units traveled as close to the center lanes of the roadway as practicable, giving them the widest latitude for movement and to allow motorists to pull to the right in yielding to emergency vehicles. There was no "overdriving", and despite the tragic end, the officers disengaged from the pursuit when directed to by a supervisor.

At the termination of the pursuit, the police vehicle positioning was classic of a high-risk vehicle stop, with both police vehicles offset from the suspect vehicle. It was necessary for both police vehicles to offset slightly to the left of the suspect vehicle due to the angle Mr. Pollerana stopped his vehicle, whereas the more common position, had all three vehicles been in line with each other, would have been to maintain a line of sight from the [REDACTED] police vehicle to the right side of the suspect vehicle, and a slight left-offset with the secondary police vehicle. As it was, this line of sight could still be maintained by a minor repositioning of Off. Abdalla's position of cover, as he ultimately did.

Both officers exited their vehicles a few seconds before Mr. Pollerana, allowing them to better observe him as he exited. In doing this, it allowed both officers to

maintain cover behind the car doors. Upon immediately recognizing the greater threat of a man with a gun emerging from the car, both officers repositioned to the rear of their patrol vehicles, affording greater protection than the door alone. This also gave the officers more time for Mr. Pollerana to comply due to the greater amount of cover.

Finally, as Mr. Pollerana moved around the front of his car and advanced on Off. Abdalla, R/Off. Lucero moved forward to the driver door of his car in order to maintain an angle of sight of Mr. Pollerana, affording himself a clear shot that was not taken until the last possible moment. It should also be noted that in waiting, R/Off. Lucero considerably limited the downrange danger of a missed shot. Both officers, from their statements, considered the potential danger to innocent bystanders in front of and behind them. **Ad. 2, Pgs. 10, 14.**

Police officers are trained in a deadly force situation to limit the number of rounds fired, then to reassess before firing again, all the while keeping the target covered with their weapons. Even though modern police duty weapons have large capacity magazines, 16 rounds in the case of the Glock 22, to focus on firing fewer rounds enhances target acquisition and trigger control. This is especially important in an urban setting where the chance of downrange collateral damage can be great. In interviewing the officers, both expressed confidence they had the target in their sights, and although one of Off. Abdalla's rounds missed, it is likely that it was caused by Mr. Pollerana being felled by R/Off. Lucero's bullet a fraction of a second before Off. Abdalla fired both his rounds.

### **Recommendations:**

The manner in which the officers conducted the high-risk traffic stop is designed to increase the effectiveness of the tactics used. Both officers used sound tactics.

Both officers performed in a manner consistent with their training. Such training is designed to limit the exposure to danger faced by officers and the public in situations such as this. Both officers took steps to limit the danger posed by Mr. Pollerana to themselves and others, as well as attempts to get Mr. Pollerana to drop his weapon. The officers did not fire their weapons until the last moment, and when they did, they fired few rounds and reassessed. This was designed to limit the number of rounds downrange and to reduce the danger to innocent bystanders.

When police officers fire their weapons in self defense, they are trained to inflict a wound that will stop the assailant most effectively, reducing the number of bullets fired. The bullet fired by R/Off. Lucero did just that. The bullets fired by Off. Abdalla also would likely have been just as effective had Mr. Pollerana not been felled by the first bullet fired by R/Off. Lucero.

Both officers performed as they were trained.



## **Conclusion**

The death of Mr. Pollerana was a tragic event. As the investigation continued through the night, it became more evident that the circumstances and conclusion were caused by careful calculation on the part of Mr. Pollerana. It became known that Mr. Pollerana suffered from a disorder that caused him to decide his own fate. In the conclusion of the D.A.'s report, **Ad. 1, Pg. 5**, DDA Elizabeth Munisoglu writes, "It seems apparent, from the suicide note left by Pollerana on February 26 and the medical diagnosis of 'major depressive disorder', that Pollerana was deeply despondent and that he deliberately engaged in conduct that was intended to attract the attention of law enforcement and provoke a lethal response that would end his life".

The fact cannot be ignored that R/Off. Lucero and Off. Abdalla also suffered from the actions caused by Mr. Pollerana in that they were forced to take a human life. They did, however, perform their duty in a manner consistent with their high level of training and in strict accordance with South Pasadena police policy and California state law.

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CHIEF'S OFFICE

Re: J.S.I.D. File # 03-0187  
L.A.S.D. File # 003-00028-3199-013

Dear Chief Watson:

The Justice System Integrity Division of the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office has completed its review of the March 8, 2003, fatal shooting of Amador Pollerana by South Pasadena Police Officer Anthony Abdalla and South Pasadena Reserve Officer Anthony Lucero. We have concluded that both officers acted lawfully in self-defense and in defense of others.

The District Attorney Command Post was notified of the shooting at 8:40 p.m. Deputy District Attorney Mark Ashen and District Attorney Senior Investigator Rogelio Maldonado of the District Attorney Response Team arrived at the scene at 10:14 p.m. They were briefed by Lieutenant Daniel Rosenberg of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, Homicide Division. Lt. Rosenberg then conducted a 'walk-through' of the scene.

**FACTUAL ANALYSIS**

The following analysis is based upon reports prepared by the Los Angeles Sheriff's Department, Detective Division, Homicide Bureau, and review of a video recording from the dash-mounted camera in Officer Lucero's patrol car, submitted to this office by Los Angeles Sheriff's Department Homicide Detectives Phillip Martinez and Jeffrey Leslie. No departmentally compelled statements were considered as a part of this analysis.

Detectives Martinez and Leslie interviewed Officers Abdalla and Lucero. They interviewed [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] who witnessed the shooting, and they interviewed the deceased's sister, [REDACTED] and girlfriend, [REDACTED] with whom he had been living at the time of the incident. The following [REDACTED] is taken from the voluntary statements of all the aforementioned persons and from related reports.



- **Officers' [REDACTED] of Events**

On March 8, 2003, at approximately 7:20 p.m., South Pasadena Reserve Police Officer Anthony Lucero was in uniform driving a black and white patrol unit in the vicinity of the 100 block of Pasadena Avenue when he observed a black pickup truck going eastbound with no headlights on. Officer Lucero made a U-turn to follow the truck and effect a traffic stop. When he caught up with the truck he realized it was traveling at a high rate of speed and making unsafe lane changes, and he activated his emergency lights. When the driver of the truck (later identified as Amador Pollerana) did not pull over, Officer Lucero attempted to alert Pollerana by shining his spotlight on the truck's rear view mirror and giving two short bursts on his siren. Pollerana did not yield, although Officer Lucero saw him look in the rear view mirror and believed Pollerana was aware he was being followed. At that point, Officer Lucero broadcast that he was in pursuit of a failure-to-yield vehicle.

Approximately 40 minutes later, South Pasadena Police Officer Anthony Abdalla was assisting as back-up officer on a traffic stop when he saw a black pickup truck traveling westbound at a high rate of speed, with its headlights off, on Pasadena Avenue at the intersection of Arroyo Avenue. He walked toward his patrol car, intending to make a traffic stop on the black pickup, but stopped when he saw that Officer Lucero was already behind the truck in a black and white patrol unit with full rotator lights on. He assumed Officer Lucero would make the stop. About 30 seconds later, however, he heard Officer Lucero broadcast that he was in pursuit of a failure-to-yield vehicle. At that point, Officer Abdalla got in his patrol car and went to assist Officer Lucero. He caught up as the truck and Officer Lucero were headed northbound on Figueroa Avenue near Annan Way. The truck ran several red lights, nearly hit a pedestrian and drove on the wrong side of the roadway several times as the pursuit progressed. Officers Abdalla and Lucero were broadcasting the pursuit as it occurred.

Pollerana ultimately headed north on De Lacy Avenue, which dead ends in the parking lot of the Parsons Company north of Colorado Boulevard in the City of Pasadena. The dead end caused Pollerana to turn onto Holly Street. After going a short distance on Holly Street, temporary street barricades at Fair Oaks Avenue caused him to come to a full stop. Officer Abdalla stopped his patrol car to the left, offset and about 20-30 feet to the rear of Pollerana's truck. His emergency lights were activated and his high-beam headlights illuminated the truck. Officer Lucero parked his patrol car to the left of Officer Abdalla's unit.

The officers saw Pollerana get out of the driver's side of the truck, and could also see that Pollerana was holding an object in his right hand that appeared to be a gun pointed in their direction, shifting back and forth from Officer Abdalla to Officer Lucero. Officer Abdalla drew his duty weapon, retreated to the right rear of the patrol car for cover, and pointed his gun at Pollerana while ordering him repeatedly, as loud as he



could, "Drop the gun. Drop the gun. Drop the gun." Officer Lucero, who had also drawn his duty weapon, was giving orders in much the same words. Each officer described being fearful for his own safety and for the safety of his fellow officer.

Pollerana said nothing as he moved from beside the driver's door to the passenger side of the truck. He did not respond to the officers' orders to drop the gun. Then he suddenly moved forward as if he were lunging in the officers' direction. His gun was still in his right hand, pointed in their direction. Officer Abdalla, fearing that Pollerana was about to fire his weapon, fired two rounds at Pollerana, Officer Lucero simultaneously fired one round at Pollerana. Pollerana went down, having sustained two gunshot wounds. Officer Lucero approached Pollerana where he fell, and saw a gun resting in his outstretched hand. He carefully kicked the gun about 8 feet away and checked Pollerana's pulse. Pollerana was treated by paramedics at the scene and transported to the hospital, where he later expired from his wounds. A black "Marksman" Model #1010 air pistol was recovered about 8 feet from where Pollerana fell. A sales receipt from Big Five Sporting Goods Store #47 dated "03/08/03" for a Marksman Model #1010 air pistol, and the original packaging, were found in a plastic bag inside the cab of the truck.

- **Coroner's Report and Firearms Analysis**

The coroner's examination determined that Pollerana suffered a single fatal gunshot wound that entered the right chest traveling downward from right to left, perforating the heart, right lung, liver, stomach and spleen. He also suffered a non-fatal gunshot wound to his right foot. It was later determined from the bullet fragments recovered from his wound that the fatal shot was fired from Officer Lucero's duty weapon.

- **Civilian Witnesses**

Ms. [REDACTED] was in her car facing west on Holly Street, planning to spend the evening at the Marriott Hotel at Fair Oaks Avenue and Holly Street. She saw two police cars with their lights and sirens operating, coming in her direction, following a pickup truck. She saw the cars and truck come to a stop at the barricade. She saw the officers get out of their cars and heard them shout "Drop your gun" several times, very loudly. She saw a white male get out of the driver's side of the truck, and described him as "crouching" and moving toward the officers. She said that he appeared to be holding a handgun, pointing at the officers. She then heard two gunshots in close succession. After waiting a few moments, she went into the hotel.

Mr. [REDACTED] is an employee of Parsons Company. He was walking through the company parking lot when he saw a black pickup truck turn from Colorado Boulevard onto Holly Street with two police cars following, their lights and sirens on. He saw the vehicles come to a stop at the barricade between Holly Street

and Fair Oaks Avenue, and as the officers got out of their cars he heard them shout "He has a gun" at least four times. When he heard that, he ducked behind some trees. He then heard the officers shouting "put the gun down" followed by two gunshots.

Mr. [REDACTED] works part-time as a car valet in a parking lot on the northwest corner of Holly Street and Fair Oaks Avenue, directly across from where the incident occurred. He was at work, walking through the parking lot when he heard police sirens and saw two police cars stop a black pick-up truck. He watched as the driver of the truck got out, holding what looked like a black handgun in his right hand. He saw both police officers with their weapons drawn, and heard them say "drop the gun" at least ten times. Although [REDACTED] speaks Spanish (the interview was conducted with the assistance of a Pasadena police officer who is fluent in Spanish), [REDACTED] stated that he clearly understood the commands that were given in English. He also was emphatic that the commands were in two different voices, so he knew that both officers were ordering the driver to drop the gun. He said that the driver was continuously pointing the gun in the direction of the officers, and it appeared to him that he fired the gun, causing the officers to return fire. When the shots were fired, he took cover behind a parked car. Five to ten seconds later he looked again and observed that both officers appeared very distressed.

[REDACTED] Pollerana had been living with [REDACTED] for about six years prior to the date of the incident. She described an incident about a week earlier, when Pollerana had collapsed in the street and been hospitalized. (A medical discharge paper showed that Pollerana had been discharged from Northridge Hospital Medical Center on March 6, 2003, with a diagnosis of "major depressive disorder.") At the time of that incident a suicide note was found in which he said his past had "caught up" with him. She explained that she did not understand what the note meant in its reference to his past, but that a person had been using Pollerana's identity and had threatened him with harm if he ever told the authorities.

Ms. [REDACTED] is Pollerana's sister. She told detectives that Pollerana had attempted suicide on February 26, 2003, by taking an overdose of pills and alcohol. At that time he was admitted to Glendale Adventist Hospital and was later transferred to Northridge Hospital's psychiatric ward. She told detectives that she believed a former friend of Pollerana was using Pollerana's social security number and credit card and was extorting money from Pollerana, causing him to become distraught and suicidal. She described him as having been distraught over the last several weeks prior to March 9, 2003.

- **Video Tape From Patrol Car**

The video camera in Officer Lucero's patrol car recorded the pursuit and the shooting incident. When the pursuit ended at the Holly Street barricade, Pollerana is clearly seen on the videotape getting out of the truck and pointing a gun at the officers. As Officer



Abdalla moved to the right rear of his patrol car for cover, Pollerana is seen moving to his left, around to the passenger side of the truck, and continuously pointing the gun in the direction of both officers. At no time does he lower the gun or show any response to the officers' commands to "drop the gun."

## LEGAL ANALYSIS

In protecting oneself or another, a person may use all force and means that he believes to be reasonably necessary and that would appear to a reasonable person, in the same or similar circumstances, to be necessary to prevent the injury which appears to be imminent. California Jury Instructions—Criminal (CALJIC) 5.30; 5.32.

If one is confronted by the appearance of danger that one believes, and a reasonable person in the same position would believe, would result in death or great bodily injury, one may act upon those circumstances. Actual danger is not necessary to justify the use of deadly force in self-defense. The right of self-defense is the same whether the danger is real or merely apparent. People v. Williams (1977) 75 Cal. App. 3d 731. See, also, People v. Toledo (1948) 85 Cal. App. 2d 577.

"The 'reasonableness' of a particular use of force must be judged from the perspective of a reasonable officer on the scene, rather than with the 20/20 vision of hindsight. . . . The calculus of reasonableness must embody allowance for the fact that police officers are often forced to make split-second judgments -- circumstances that are tense, uncertain, and rapidly evolving -- about the amount of force that is necessary in a particular situation." Graham v. Connor (1989) 490 U.S. 386, 396-397.

## CONCLUSION

After Officers Abdalla and Lucero stopped Pollerana, they were facing an unstable individual who appeared to be brandishing a firearm. Pollerana was pointing the gun directly at the officers and did not respond to their commands to "drop the gun." Eyewitnesses also believed Pollerana had a firearm in his hand, and the videotape shows him with his right arm extended pointing a gun directly at the officers. It was impossible to tell that the gun was, in fact, a B. B. gun.

It seems apparent, from the suicide note left by Pollerana on February 26 and the medical diagnosis of "major depressive disorder," that Pollerana was deeply despondent and that he deliberately engaged in conduct that was intended to attract the attention of law enforcement and provoke a lethal response that would end his life.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> See, Annals of Emergency Medicine, December 1998, "Suicide by Cop" by Hutson, Anglin, Yarbrough, Hardaway, Russell, Strote, Canter, and Blum.

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November 6, 2003  
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We conclude that Officers Lucero and Aballa acted lawfully in self-defense and in defense of one another. We are closing our file and will take no further action in this matter.

Very truly yours,

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c: Officer Anthony Abdalla, #151  
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POLICE DEPARTMENT

# CITY OF SOUTH PASADENA

Daniel B. Watson, Chief of Police

AD. 3

To: Chief Watson

From: Sgt. Payne

Via: Capt. Ward

Date: August 25, 2003

Subj: **IA 2003-12 / Administrative Review / Officer Involved Shooting /  
Officer Anthony Abdalla, Reserve Officer Anthony Lucero /  
Decedent: Amador Pollerana**

Chief Watson:

This memo will serve to address three issues that appear to be discrepancies in L.A.S.D. investigation file #003-00028-3199-013 regarding the above-entitled matter. All three discrepancy issues have been resolved and clarified with the investigation's author, L.A.S.D. Deputy Phillip Martinez. Note that the District Attorney's review of this Sheriff's investigation is pending and a full administrative review by the South Pasadena Police Dept. will be completed pending the disposition of the D.A.'s report.

Since the L.A.S.D. report has been forwarded to the City Clerk's office for submission to J.P.I.A., it is necessary that these three issues of discrepancy be addressed without delay.

**Issue #1: Ballistics Report.** My review of the L.A.S.D. O.I.S. report identified a discrepancy between the criminalist's report and the autopsy report regarding the type of expended bullet that was removed from the decedent's body. Criminalist Dale Higashi ID#248131 identified the bullet that was presented to him for ballistic comparison from the Coroner's office as a *Winchester* "Silvertip" type bullet (O.I.S. report page #97). However, the autopsy report (O.I.S. report page #122, 123) describes the bullet as "copper-jacketed lead bullet" and two fragments as "an elongated fragment of copper jacket".

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Although Mr. Higashi notes that the round submitted was contained in a coroner's evidence bag (along with two fragments packaged separately), the coroner's report (#2003-01934) identifies the only expended bullet recovered during the investigation. This bullet was the round that was taken from the decedent's body. This round was identified by Deputy Medical Examiner Pedro M. Ortiz-Colom as causing the fatal wound to the decedent.

Although there were two bullet wounds to the decedent's body, the second wound, a through-and-through to the right foot, the only round recovered during the autopsy was the fatal round recovered from the abdomen. Investigators never found the through-and-through round to the right foot. It was concluded that the expended bullet submitted to Criminalist Higashi for comparison is the bullet that caused the fatal wound.

The criminalist positively identified the submitted bullet as a "Silvertip", noted on page 97 of the O.I.S. report. In the Sheriff's protocol of the investigation and report, the criminalist is responsible for the expert opinion rendered as to identification of the type of bullet determined from the autopsy to have caused the fatal wound. This was conclusively determined by Criminalist Higashi to be the "Silvertip" bullet, as related to me by Deputy Martinez. Deputy Martinez told me it is not uncommon for a doctor performing an autopsy to incorrectly identify ballistics evidence. The autopsy report may document an item based on its appearance, however, the doctor's expert opinion is limited to matters pertaining to clinical opinion of cause of death and medical examination of the body.

Criminalist Higashi also concluded that, because of the close similarities of the rifling characteristics of both Glock handguns, he was unable to positively identify, through ballistics testing, which handgun fired the fatal bullet. He did note, however, that only one of the handguns was submitted with "Silvertip" ammunition taken from the handgun's magazine. That handgun was identified in the report with serial #ACH 297 US. That is the handgun issued to Reserve Off. Tony Lucero.

Not noted in the report is the ammunition carried by Off. Abdalla. What is known from this police department's initial shooting investigation is that Off. Abdalla's handgun was loaded with copper-jacketed *Winchester* "Ranger" 180-grain SXT bullets. Reserve Off. Lucero's handgun was loaded with *Winchester* "Silvertip" 155-grain bullets. This was determined when the handguns were taken from the officers during the shooting investigation. Although the ammunition from each officer was of different types and the "Silvertip" ammunition was issued ammunition, the "Ranger" ammunition carried by Off. Abdalla was also authorized.

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**Issue #2: Report Narrative:** This area of the report also contains discrepancies that pertain to the Medical Examiner's Report. On Page three of the O.I.S. report under EVIDENCE HELD, Deputy Martinez notes that Item #10 is "One expended projectile, hollow point, copper jacket, recovered at postmortem examination of Suspect Pollerana." Additionally, on page 18, Deputy Martinez writes, "Dr. Ortiz recovered one expended hollow point, copper-jacketed projectile from underneath the skin on the decedent's left side (Evidence Held Item #10)"

Deputy Martinez told me that these two references (evidence and postmortem) were included in the report according to the autopsy report and the description of the projectile by the Medical Examiner, Dr. Ortiz. These were not independent observations by Dep. Martinez and he reiterated that the only expert analysis of the expended bullet contained in the report is that of Criminalist Dale Higashi.

Deputy Martinez told me that during some stages of an investigation such as this, observations, descriptions, and analyses of persons other than the writer are included in the report as they appear and are not those of the completed investigation's author. This was the case in this matter where Dep. Martinez included information from the medical examiner as well as the criminalist.

**Issue #3: Autopsy Report.** My review of the O.I.S. report also noted a discrepancy contained on page 122 of the report. This portion of the report is the autopsy report from the Coroner's office. Under the heading "DESCRIPTION OF GUNSHOT WOUNDS, the report states "The body presents gunshot wounds to the chest and *right arm* (emphasis added) which will be described for the convenience of the Examiner by numbering them as #1 and #2."

I contacted Deputy Martinez about this discrepancy. He concluded that the notation of *right arm* was an inadvertent misstatement by the examiner. The description should have noted *right foot*. Deputy Martinez correctly notes that, in the autopsy report, all subsequent notations and descriptions of the condition of the body and bullet wounds identify only two bullet-induced wounds, i.e., the fatal gunshot wound to the chest and the through-and-through gunshot wound to the right foot of the decedent. All diagrams produced by the coroner's report show the wound to the right foot and no indications of a bullet wound to the right arm. Deputy Martinez also witnessed the autopsy and confirmed this.

This concludes my analysis of the three discrepancies noted in the report. It is assumed that other matters may be addressed in the pending administrative review, should they become known.

Enclosures



AD. 4

## 265.40 PRESS PASSES

An officer at the scene of a fire or other disaster may permit holders of official press cards to pass through police and fire lines to obtain news or photographs, unless the area in question has been designated as a crime scene the integrity of which must be preserved for investigative purposes.

## 270 POLICE VEHICLE PURSUITS

### 270.10 BACKGROUND

A vehicle pursuit exposes the officer, the fleeing violator, pedestrians, drivers and passengers of other motor vehicles to the possibility of death or serious injury. Pursuits may also result in damage to personal property.

When engaged in a pursuit, and when deciding whether the pursuit should be continued, officers should weigh the seriousness of the violator's suspected crime against the potential of death or injury if the chase is continued.

Officers should not assume that all persons who flee from the police and refuse to yield are felons. Experience has shown that many pursuits involve misdemeanor violations only.

In the heat of a pursuit, the violator frequently refuses to give up and the officer likewise feels an obligation to succeed. This psychological phenomenon can affect an officer's judgment and may cause the officer to continue a pursuit beyond the point where common sense and good judgment would require the pursuit to be terminated.

### 270.15 PURSUIT - DEFINITION

A pursuit is an event involving one or more law enforcement officers attempting to apprehend a suspect operating a motor vehicle while the suspect is trying to avoid arrest by using high-speed driving or other evasive tactics, such as driving off a highway, turning suddenly or driving in a legal manner but willfully failing to yield to the officer's signal to stop.

### 270.20 INITIATING A PURSUIT



A pursuit is initiated when an officer reacts to an individual intending to avoid arrest by using a vehicle to flee.

- a. A pursuit should only be initiated to apprehend a violator who refuses to voluntarily comply with the law requiring him or her to stop.
- B. *The factors that exist under section 270.21 should also be considered and evaluated by an officer or supervisor prior to the decision being made to initiate a pursuit. Essentially, if any of these factors are present and they outweigh the need to apprehend a fleeing suspect, the officer or supervisor should consider not initiating a pursuit.*

## 270.21 ABORTING A PURSUIT

An officer shall abort a pursuit when directed by a supervisor and should voluntarily abort a pursuit when the risk of continuing outweighs the danger of permitting the subject to escape. Under most circumstances the officer should abort a pursuit when:

- a. The circumstances of the pursuit present an extreme safety hazard to the public, the officer, or the suspect (i.e., heavily congested highways, school zones or the officer's unfamiliarity with the location).
- b. The suspect is identified to the point where later apprehension can be accomplished and continuing would only serve to increase the risk to all involved.
- c. The pursued vehicle's location is no longer definitely known.
- d. An allied agency has been notified to discontinue their participation in the pursuit but refuses to do so or if the pursuit tactics being used by the allied agency are not within South Pasadena policy, officers shall abort the pursuit. In such cases, the allied agency shall be notified of the discontinuance of Departmental participation in the pursuit.
- e. *Consideration and evaluation should also be given to: Vehicle Code requirements; the nature of the offense and the apparent circumstances, the presence of a non-peace officer in an officer's vehicle (e.g. citizen, witness, prisoner), other persons in or on the pursued vehicle (e.g. passengers, co-offenders, hostages); time of day; speeds of the pursuit;*

*weather and visibility; road conditions; capabilities of pursuing officers and vehicles; availability of additional resources; and quality of radio communications.*

## **270.22 PURSUIT UNITS**

1. Pursuits should normally be limited to two South Pasadena P.D. units. The number of vehicles actively engaged in the pursuit may be adjusted with supervisory approval. The supervisor should consider the potential effect of involved allied agency units in determining the number of South Pasadena units who are to participate.
2. A marked black and white patrol vehicle, other than a motorcycle, should take over a pursuit from an unmarked vehicle. A marked black and white patrol vehicle should take over a pursuit from a motorcycle unless the circumstances are such that a motorcycle is the safest means of continuing a pursuit (i.e., heavy commute traffic).
3. Maximum use of any available law enforcement aircraft should be considered and employed as soon as possible. When aircraft are available and employed it will be in addition to any authorized ground units.
4. Officers in all other units in the general vicinity of the pursuit should remain on their assigned beats unless requested or directed to participate in the pursuit. Officers shall not trail the pursuit without supervisory approval, but should monitor the progress of the pursuit and be prepared to assist if directed by a supervisor.

## **270.23 PROCEDURES**

All personnel involved in the pursuit shall be accountable for the following:

1. Conducting the pursuit in compliance with the policy as outlined in this section of the Duty manual.
2. Aborting the pursuit in accordance with the provisions of Section 270.21 of this Chapter of the Duty Manual or as directed by a supervisor.

## **Initiating Pursuit Unit**

1. The unit initiating the pursuit should immediately notify Communications that a pursuit is underway, giving, whenever possible:
  - a. Reason for the pursuit.
  - b. Location and direction of travel.
  - c. Approximate speed of the fleeing vehicle.
  - d. Description of the vehicle and license number, if known.
  - e. Number of known occupants.
  - f. The identity or description of known occupants.
  - g. Any information concerning the use of firearms, threat of force, or other unusual circumstances.

## **Secondary Units**

1. The officers in the second and any subsequent units entering the pursuit shall immediately notify Communications that they are joining the pursuit.
2. Although the actual role may vary, it is usually desirable for a secondary unit to assume radio responsibility for radio contact between Communications and the pursuing units.

## **Supervisory Responsibility**

1. Upon being notified of the pursuit, the supervisor is accountable for the following:
  - a. Aborting the pursuit when necessary in accordance with the policy as outlined in this section of the Duty manual.
  - b. Ensuring the pursuit is conducted in accordance with the provisions of this Chapter of the Duty Manual, including:
    1. No more than the necessary number of units are involved.

2. Available aircraft have been requested, if necessary.
3. Affected allied agencies have been notified.
- c. Proceeding to the termination point, if at all practicable, to provide guidance and supervision, and to gather information for the pursuit report.

#### **Communications (Dispatch Center) Responsibilities**

1. Informing the on-duty field supervisor immediately if a pursuit is initiated.
2. Continuously monitoring the location and direction of travel of the pursuit.
3. Notifying allied agencies if a potential involvement can be expected, and specifying whether assistance is requested or if the notification is for information only.
4. Relaying pertinent information from allied agencies.
5. Providing necessary information to back-up units and obtaining 10-28, 10-29 information.
6. Determine the availability of law enforcement aircraft and notify the supervisor and/or the primary unit of the availability.

#### **Pursuits into an Allied Agency's Jurisdiction**

1. When a pursuit extends into an allied agency's jurisdiction, the responsible supervisor, or the [REDACTED] unit if a supervisor is not available, shall determine if the allied agency should assume the pursuit. The following should be considered:
  - a. The distance and speed involved.
  - b. The pursuing officer's possible unfamiliarity with the new area.
  - c. The willingness and capability of the allied agency to take over the pursuit.

2. If it is determined that the conduct of the pursuit should be relinquished to the allied agency, the request shall be clearly relayed to the agency. Confirmation of the acceptance of that mission should be obtained.
3. If the pursuit is assumed by an allied agency, the initiating officer and the participating supervisor should proceed (at legal speeds) to the termination point, if within a reasonable distance, to provide guidance and information required for the arrest.

### **Pursuits From Other Jurisdictions Into South Pasadena**

South Pasadena participation in an allied agency's pursuit is appropriate only in response to a specific request for participation. Mere notification of the existence of a pursuit shall not be construed as a request for participation. The issue of whether South Pasadena is being requested to assist in the pursuit shall be clarified upon such notification. This information and/or request will be relayed to field units by the Communications Operator. The Communications Operator will ensure the on-duty field supervisor is advised of the information and/or request from the allied agency. Prior to acceptance of a pursuit from an allied agency, the field supervisor should determine the degree of South Pasadena involvement, if any, and provide the appropriate direction.

### **Forcible Stops**

1. The decision to attempt to make a forcible stop shall be based on careful consideration of all facts apparent to the officer. A supervisor's permission should be obtained prior to initiating a forcible stop.
2. A forcible stop of a pursued vehicle may be undertaken only under the following circumstances:
  - a. When the officer has reason to believe that the continued movement of the pursued vehicle would place others in immediate danger of great bodily harm or death, and,
  - b. When the apparent risk of harm, to other than the occupant of the pursued vehicle, is so great as to outweigh the apparent risk of harm involved in making the forcible stop, and,
  - c. After all other reasonable means of apprehension have been considered, and rejected as impractical, such as: continue to follow,



call for air support, call for other departmental and/or allied agency assistance.

3. An occupied, privately-owned vehicle shall not be used to forcibly stop another vehicle.
4. The following tactics may be used to stop a pursued vehicle. The selection of the best method in each circumstance should be preceded by an evaluation of all factors surrounding the individual event. The method used should offer the greatest probability of success with the least likelihood of injury to the general public, the officer, and the subject.
  - a. Channelization. Officers may deliberately direct a vehicle into a given path or location (i.e. unpaved roadway, dead-end road, etc.) by using stationary objects (pylons, barricades, vehicles) placed in the current path of the pursued vehicle.
  - b. Roadblocks. The use of roadblocks must be weighed against the potential risk presented by continuing with the pursuit.
  - c. Ramming. Officers, as a last resort, may elect to use a deliberate collision between a patrol vehicle and the pursued vehicle to terminate a pursuit. Use of a vehicle not equipped with a push bumper is discouraged. A supervisor's permission should be obtained prior to ramming. The guidelines below shall be followed:
    1. Motorcycles - officers shall not ram motorcycles or similar vehicles except:
      - aa. When necessary in defense of the officer's life or the life of another, or
      - bb. During the actual commission of an assault with a deadly weapon with a vehicle, or
      - cc. When necessary to prevent the escape of a person whom the officer reasonably believes has committed a felony through the use or threatened use of deadly force, or
      - dd. When necessary to apprehend a person who has committed an Assault With a Deadly Weapon with a vehicle which the officer reasonably believes has resulted in serious injury or death.

2. Vehicles Other Than Motorcycles - to assure an officer is not left in a vulnerable position, consideration should be given to the final resting place of the patrol vehicle and its proximity to the violator's vehicle, prior to ramming.

Ramming should not occur when either the pursued vehicle or the pursuing vehicle is traveling in excess of 35 mph.

To assure an officer is not left in a vulnerable position and to mitigate possible injury to others, officers driving patrol vehicles equipped with Supplemental Restrain Systems (airbags) should not attempt ramming.

- aa. Officers are cautioned that airbags are designed to deploy at an impact angle of 35° or less and at impact speeds over 15 mph. However, the airbag may deploy at impact speeds between 8 and 15 mph.
- bb. If, in the officer's or supervisor's opinion, circumstances dictate ramming is an absolute necessity, officers are cautioned that deployment of the airbag may hamper further operation of the patrol car. Airbag deployment may also result in temporary loss of sight of the pursued vehicle and its occupant(s).
- d. Boxing-in. The use of boxing-in as a technique for terminating pursuits is discouraged. Under ordinary circumstances, the potential hazard outweighs the chance for a successful stop of a violator and therefore should only be used at slow speeds or where the obvious risks can be eliminated or appreciably reduced.

## Reporting Procedures

The on-duty Watch Commander shall evaluate all pursuits and complete, or cause to be completed, a CHP 187, Pursuit Report. The general details of the pursuit shall also be detailed on the Watch Commander's Daily Log and forwarded to the Office of the Chief of Police, and the Operations Bureau Commander.

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# SOUTH PASADENA POLICE DEPARTMENT

## MEMORANDUM

TO: ALL PERSONNEL

FROM: JOHN E. ANDERSON  
ACTING CHIEF OF POLICE

DATE: JUNE 3, 1997

SUBJECT: INTERIM POLICY STATEMENTS

The following policy statements shall be considered on-going and in effect until such time they are either made a permanent part of the Department Duty Manual, or rescinded by actions of the new Chief of Police.

### USE OF FORCE

Force is defined as any physical effort used to control or restrain another, or to overcome the resistance of another.

Department members are authorized to use only that amount of force that is objectively reasonable to perform their duties. "Objectively reasonable" means that Department members shall evaluate each situation requiring the use of force in light of the known circumstances, including, but not limited to, the seriousness of the crime, the level of threat or resistance presented by the subject, or the danger to the community, in determining the necessity for force and the appropriate level of force. Department members maintain the right to self-defense and officers have a duty to protect the lives of others.

### Unreasonable Force

Department members shall use only that force which is objectively reasonable. Unreasonable force is that force that is unnecessary or excessive given the circumstances presented to Department members at the time the force is applied. Unreasonable force is prohibited. The use of unreasonable force will subject Department members to discipline and/or prosecution.

Head strikes with an impact weapon are prohibited unless circumstances justify the use of deadly force.

### REPORTING THE USE OF FORCE

Personnel shall immediately make a verbal notification to their immediate supervisor (minimum rank of sergeant) in all cases in which they use force. Personnel witnessing the use of force shall immediately advise their supervisor, who will determine whether a separate report by the witness(es) is required.

Whenever an incident involving force requires a first report, all details regarding the use of force shall be included in that report. A reference to the verbal notification and the name of the supervisor to whom it was made shall be included in the first report. Each assisting officer who used force shall submit a separate supplementary report detailing his/her actions.

Each officer (includes all ranks) reporting force in a report or memorandum shall describe in detail the actions of the suspect necessitating the use of force and the specific force used in response to the suspect's actions. Any injuries or complaint of injuries, and any medical treatment or refusal of medical treatment, shall be documented in the first report, supplementary reports or memoranda.

#### Medical Treatment

A suspect must be transported to a medical facility for examination/treatment by qualified medical personnel whenever:

- He strikes his head on a hard object, or sustains a blow to the head/face, as a result of the application of force by an officer, regardless of how minor the injury may appear,
- He is restrained with a carotid restraint, or any kind of neck/throat restraint; whether or not he is rendered unconscious,
- He is hit with a specialized weapon projectile (such as an Arwen/SL-6 round, Taser dart, Stunbag, etc.),
- He is sprayed with Oleoresin Capisicum spray (unless qualified medical clearance is obtained from Paramedics in the field),
- He has injuries that appear to require medical treatment,
- He alleges any injury and requests medical treatment, whether or not he has any apparent injuries,
- He alleges that substantial force was used against him, whether or not he has any apparent injuries or requests medical treatment.

If the suspect refuses medical treatment in any of the cases previously described, he shall be transported to a medical facility and required to personally inform the medical staff of his refusal to receive medical treatment.

#### Immediate Supervisor's and Watch Commander's Responsibilities

The field sergeant or immediate supervisor shall respond without unnecessary delay to any incident involving the following types of use of force, which are considered significant:

- Suspect injury resulting from use of force;
- Complaint of pain or injury resulting from use of force;
- Indication or allegation of misconduct in the application of force;
- Any application of force that is greater than a Department-approved control hold or come-along.

In instances of significant force, the field sergeant, immediate supervisor or an appropriate designee not involved in the use of force, shall do the following:

- Locate and interview all potential witnesses, including Department personnel, and document (tape-record) their statements, including those who could have witnessed but claim not to have witnessed the incident,
- Photograph the scene in conditions as near as possible to those at the time of the force incident, if appropriate,
- Interview the attending physician or other qualified medical personnel, when the suspect is taken to a medical facility for examination, as to the extent and nature of the suspect's injuries, or lack thereof, and whether the injuries are consistent with the degree of force reported,
- Photograph the officer's injuries, if appropriate,
- Submit a report to the Chief, detailing the circumstances, synthesizing any statements acquired and making a preliminary determination as to whether the force was necessary and justified.



The use of force is considered less significant when it is limited to any of the following and there is no injury or complaint of pain nor any indication of misconduct:

- Searching and handcuffing techniques resisted by the suspect,
- Department-approved control holds or come-alongs,
- Use of a hobble restraint,
- Use of O.C. spray (considered significant if it causes more than discomfort, injury or lasting pain).

The watch commander shall, with extreme priority, personally examine any suspect/inmate on whom significant force has been used and interview him regarding the incident. The suspect/inmate shall be asked if he has any injuries, the nature of the injuries and if he wants medical treatment. The interview shall be tape-recorded (or video taped) and, if appropriate, the suspect/inmate shall be photographed, paying particular attention to any known or alleged areas of injury.

A force review package shall be submitted to the Chief on all significant force incidents. It shall include all reports, memorandums, witness, suspect and medical personnel's statements, copy of medical reports, photographs or video-tape of suspect injuries, or alleged areas of injury, tape-recordings of witness statements, and any other related material deemed significant or serves to further document the incident.

### **CITIZEN COMPLAINTS**

Duty Manual Section 675.30, Investigation Required, paragraph one, shall read, "Any allegation that Police Department personnel have violated the law, or have violated the rules, regulations or orders of the Department, shall be accepted and investigated."

Duty Manual Section 675.50, Use of the Personnel Complaint Form, paragraph one, shall read, "The Personnel Complaint Form shall, without delay, be provided to the complainant if requested."

Duty Manual Section 680, Report of Misconduct: Procedure, sub-section "c": The first sentence relative to not accepting a personnel complaint shall be considered obsolete. In instances where a person specifically states he or she desires only to inform the watch commander/supervisor of alleged misconduct, which is deemed by the watch commander not to be a violation of law or policy, or involve the use of force, will the second sentence relative to documentation in the Watch Commander's Log be appropriate.

Absent exigent circumstances, personnel complaints that could result in discipline shall be forwarded to the Chief of Police for review prior to the initiation of any investigation.

### **PURSUIT**

It shall be the policy of this Department that pursuits are permitted only when the necessity of immediate apprehension outweighs the degree of danger created by the pursuit. Consideration should always be given to the possibility that one of your family members could be in the path the pursuit. The reverence for all life should govern your actions and shall govern this policy.

The following sections are added to Duty Manual Section 270.21, Aborting a Pursuit:

- f. Once it has been determined that the driver of a vehicle is refusing to yield, personnel shall immediately discontinue red light and siren and cease attempts to pursue the violator when the only known reason for the intended stop is:
  - A possible grand theft auto,
  - An infraction or misdemeanor crime (including CVC violations).

g. Personnel may pursue misdemeanor suspects in the following situations:

- Where the suspect(s) have been observed to be displaying a firearm in an assaultive manner,
- Where the violator is being stopped for driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs, the suspect's driving prior to the attempted stop is so flagrantly reckless that he presents a clear and present danger to other users of the highway, and failure to apprehend the violator would result in an imminent and life threatening danger to the public,
- Examples of such driving would be, but are not limited to, collisions with other vehicles or objects, forcing other vehicles to take evasive action to avoid collision, failure to stop at controlled intersections without slowing, or driving on the wrong side of the highway.

h. A pursuit shall be terminated after a reasonable distance when it has been determined that the only reason for the pursuit is a known reported stolen vehicle. "Reasonable" shall be evaluated by such factors as the time of day, traffic conditions, weather and road conditions, speeds involved, officer's skills, etc.

i. A pursuit shall be terminated when there is insufficient objective information to indicate that the suspect(s) is wanted for a felony, armed misdemeanor, or drunk driving.

The following sections are added to or amended in Duty Manual Section 270.23, Procedures, Supervisory Responsibility:

c. The reference to proceeding to the termination point of a pursuit, "if at all practicable," shall be removed. The section will read, "Proceeding to the termination point to provide guidance and supervision, and to gather information for the pursuit report."

The following sections are added to or amended in Duty Manual Section 270.23, Procedures, Forcible Stops:

1. The word "should" in the second sentence is changed to "shall." The section will read, "A supervisor's permission shall be obtained prior to initiating a forcible stop."

4. c. Ramming. Shall not be permitted.

## 160 INTERNAL INVESTIGATIONS

If requested to make a statement in the course of an official Department internal investigation, members shall make full, complete and truthful statements.

Failure or refusal to make statements, or making false statements during Department internal investigations, may result in disciplinary action.

Employees shall not take any action which would interfere with, delay, obstruct, distort or unduly influence any official investigation, criminal, civil or administrative, conducted by this Department or any other government agency.

Any employee who knowingly gives false evidence, withholds evidence, or interferes in any way, during such an investigation, or requests or encourages another to do so, shall be deemed to have obstructed the investigation.

## CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

The official business of the Department is confidential. Members shall only discuss or give official information:

- To persons for whom the information is intended,
- As directed by their superior officers,
- As required by law.

Members shall only divulge the contents of any directive they receive when required to do so by the nature of the directive. The content of any criminal record or other official information maintained by the Department, either in manual files, microfilm records or computerized systems, shall be disclosed only to authorized persons in accordance with state and federal statutes.

Members shall not willfully destroy, mutilate, deface, alter, falsify or remove for personal or monetary gain any part of official records maintained by the Department.

For the purpose of this section, this includes any and all information contained in members' personnel files, and other Department documents, such as Department personnel rosters, that contain personal information of Department members.

## DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

### 635 Oral Admonishments

This section is considered deleted. Such actions should be documented if they are to be considered in an employee's efficiency rating, or or subsequent disciplinary action. (Refer to the section on Performance Log.)

### Performance Log

Not all inappropriate behavior will require imposition of discipline. In some cases non-disciplinary action, such as discussing certain behavior with the employee, accompanied by documentation in a Performance Log, may be more appropriate. The purpose of non-disciplinary action is to inform the employee of a potential problem which may result in discipline if it continues; and to help correct the problem before it becomes significant and/or to advise the employee of expected behavior. Such problems could include, being late to work, poor tactics, safety violations, poorly written report, etc. Any non-disciplinary action should take place as soon after the unacceptable behavior or poor performance is first noted. (Refer to a separate memorandum explaining the procedures for using the Performance Log for both positive and negative documentation.)



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LEROY D. BACA, SHERIFF

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES - SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

DETECTIVE DIVISION - HOMICIDE BUREAU

ASSISTANCE TO SOUTH PASADENA POLICE DEPARTMENT

FILE NO. 003-00028-3199-013

CLASSIFICATION: ASSAULT WITH A REPLICA FIREARM ON A PEACE OFFICER -  
417.4 P.C./OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING/SUSPECT DECEASED

VICTIM(S): #1 ABDALLA, ANTHONY [REDACTED]

#2 LUCERO, ANTHONY [REDACTED]

SUSPECT(S): POLLERANA, AMADOR MH/44

DATE/TIME: 03-08-2003 (SATURDAY) AT 1930 HOURS

LOCATION: HOLLY STREET WEST OF FAIR OAKS AVENUE, PASADENA

OFFICER(S) INVOLVED: OFFICER ANTHONY ABDALLA, #151

RESERVE OFFICER ANTHONY LUCERO, #795

INVESTIGATORS: P. MARTINEZ/J. LESLIE

COPY CHIEF, PASADENA POLICE DEPT.



County of Los Angeles  
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**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES - SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT - INCIDENT REPORT**

**DATE:** MARCH 8, 2003

**FILE NO.:** 003-00028-3199-013

**C:** ASSAULT WITH A REPLIC FIREARM ON  
A PEACE OFFICER - 417.4 P.C./OFFICER  
INVOLVED SHOOTING

**ACTION:** ACTIVE

**DISTRICT/TOWN:** SOUTH PASADENA

**V:** ABDALLA, ANTHONY ET AL  
SOUTH PASADENA POLICE OFFICER

**I:** SOUTH PASADENA POLICE DEPARTMENT

**D:** 03-08-2003 (SATURDAY) AT 1930 HOURS

**L:** HOLLY STREET WEST OF FAIR OAKS  
AVENUE, PASADENA

**S:** POLLERANA, AMADOR MH/44  
(DECEASED)

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On 03-08-2003, members of the South Pasadena Police Department requested the assistance of the Sheriff's Homicide Bureau in conducting an investigation into the circumstances surrounding an officer involved shooting. Investigators Jeffrey Leslie and Phillip Martinez responded.

**BY: INVESTIGATOR PHILLIP MARTINEZ, #196147**

**INVESTIGATOR JEFFREY LESLIE, #223389**

**APPROVED BY: LIEUTENANT DANIEL ROSENBERG, #111228**

**HOMICIDE BUREAU - DETECTIVE DIVISION**

Udeshi/WPII

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES - SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT - SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT

DATE: MARCH 13, 2003

FILE NO.: 003-00028-3199-013

C: ASSAULT WITH A REPLICA FIREARM  
ON A PEACE OFFICER - 417.4 P.C./  
ASSIST SOUTH PASADENA POLICE  
DEPARTMENT

ACTION: ACTIVE/ADDITIONAL  
INFORMATION/INVESTIGATION  
CONDUCTED/WITNESSES AND  
OFFICERS INTERVIEWED/  
CORONER'S CASE #2003-01934

V: (SEE BELOW)

D: 03-08-2003 (SATURDAY) AT 1930 HOURS

L: HOLLY STREET  
WEST OF FAIR OAKS AVENUE  
PASADENA

S: POLLERANA, AMADOR [REDACTED]  
MH, DOB: 03-14-1958

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VICTIMS:

V#1: ABDALLA, ANTHONY  
South Pasadena Police Officer, #151

V#2: LUCERO, ANTHONY  
South Pasadena Police Officer, #795

WITNESSES:

W#1: [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

W#2: [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

W#3: [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

W#4: [REDACTED] [REDACTED]



W#5: [REDACTED]

W#6: [REDACTED]

**EVIDENCE HELD:**

- Item #10: One expended projectile, hollow point, copper jacket, recovered at postmortem examination of Suspect Pollerana.
- Item #11: One bullet fragment recovered during postmortem examination of Suspect Pollerana.
- Item #12: One bullet fragment recovered during postmortem examination of Suspect Pollerana.

The above listed evidence held items were recovered by [REDACTED] from Suspect Amador's body.

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On 03-08-2003 at approximately 2020 hours, Detectives Jeff Leslie and Phillip Martinez were summoned to assist the South Pasadena Police Department regarding an officer involved shooting at Fair Oaks Avenue and Holly Street, in the city of Pasadena. Detectives arrived at this location at approximately 2125 hours and noted it was cordoned off with yellow crime scene tape and secured at all entrances by uniformed Pasadena and South Pasadena police officers.

Detectives contacted and spoke with South Pasadena Police Officer [REDACTED] # [REDACTED] who provided Detectives with the South Pasadena Police Department DR #03-0609 and the time of the incident as 1930 hours. Detectives were also provided with the Pasadena Police Department DR #030-13171.

Officer [REDACTED] told Detectives that two South Pasadena Police officers, Corporal Anthony Abdalla and Reserve Police Officer Anthony Lucero, were involved in a shooting at the terminus of a failure to yield at the intersection of Holly Street just west of Fair Oaks Avenue. Officer [REDACTED] stated that the suspect, whom he described as a 50-year-old White male, approached these two officers with a gun.

Officer [REDACTED] told Detectives that Officers Lucero and Abdalla followed the suspect, who was driving erratically for several miles in a black 1988 Toyota with California License #3M2264. Officer [REDACTED] told Detectives that the registered owner of this vehicle was Amador Pollerana, providing his residence address in Los Angeles.

Officer [REDACTED] told Detectives that Officer [REDACTED] # [REDACTED] of the South Pasadena Police Department, accompanied the suspect to Huntington Memorial Hospital, where he was transported after being treated at the scene. Officer [REDACTED] told Detectives that the suspect was ultimately pronounced dead by [REDACTED] on 03-08-2003, at approximately 2030 hours having succumbed to a gunshot wound.

Detectives Leslie and Martinez were assisted in this investigation by Detective Sergeant Steven Katz, Detective Mark Lillienfeld, Detective Sergeant [REDACTED] Holmes, and Detective Jon Thorne, of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, Homicide Bureau; in conjunction with Scientific Services Bureau Identification Detail Deputy Gil Trujillo and Firearms Examiner Dale Higashi, each of whom will prepare a detailed report that shall become a permanent part of this file.

On 03-08-2003, Saturday, at approximately 2300 hours, Detectives interviewed [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] at the Pasadena Police Department. Ms. [REDACTED] told Detectives that she was currently in Pasadena on a business trip. She arrived from the state of Virginia on 03-03-2003.

Ms. [REDACTED] told Detectives that she was in the area of Holly Street and Fair Oaks Avenue because she was planning to spend the evening at the Marriott hotel located on Fair Oaks Avenue. Ms. [REDACTED] stated she was inside her vehicle and was facing in a westerly direction on Holly Street, when she observed two police cars with their sirens on coming in an easterly direction towards her. Ms. [REDACTED] stated that it appeared they were chasing someone that was possibly in a white pickup truck. Ms. [REDACTED] was not certain about the color of the truck. Ms. [REDACTED] stated that she stopped her vehicle due to the fact that she saw the police cars with their lights and sirens on coming toward her.

Ms. [REDACTED] stated that she observed the vehicles come to a complete stop. At that time she observed one of the police officers exit his radio car via the driver's side door. Ms. [REDACTED] stated that the other police car was offset, but next to the police car which the officer had exited. Ms. [REDACTED] stated that she heard the officer yell several times in a very loud voice, "Drop your gun." She indicated to Detectives that the officer was yelling loud enough that he could be heard in a very loud and distinct voice across the street where she was located.



Ms. [REDACTED] said she then observed a male White adult, who she indicated was the suspect, had exited the pickup truck. She noted that he was wearing light-colored clothing and he had sandy-colored hair.

Ms. [REDACTED] stated that the suspect appeared to be crouching and was moving toward the officers. She stated that the suspect's vehicle was a full car length in front of the police officers' cars. Ms. [REDACTED] stated the suspect walked to the front of the street and he appeared to have a handgun, which he was pointing in the direction of the police officers. Ms. [REDACTED] stated she heard two gunshots that she indicated were in close unison with each other. Ms. [REDACTED] stated at the conclusion of the gunshots she waited momentarily then went to the Marriott hotel.

Ms. [REDACTED] told Detectives that her curiosity got the best of her and at that point in time she went back to the scene. She noted that there were additional emergency police vehicles on scene, along with paramedics and fire trucks.

Ms. [REDACTED] had nothing further to add, and the interview was terminated.

On 03-08-2003 at approximately 2319 hours, Detectives spoke with [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Mr. [REDACTED] told Detectives he was in Pasadena for the night on an official visit as he works for the Ministry of Foreign Trade and Economic Cooperation for the People's Republic of China.

Mr. [REDACTED] stated he was near Fair Oaks Avenue at Holly Street at approximately 1930 hours. He told Detectives he parked approximately 30 to 50 meters from this intersection as he was headed to the Marriott hotel. He was walking north on the east sidewalk crossing the street when he heard sirens coming toward him. Mr. [REDACTED] said after he crossed the street, he saw a pickup truck and two police cars. He stated he kept walking but kept looking back toward this activity. Mr. [REDACTED] told Detectives the vehicles stopped and he stopped in order to look.

Mr. [REDACTED] told Detectives he observed a dark-colored pickup truck with two police cars behind it. The police cars had their lights on; however, the sirens had stopped. Mr. [REDACTED] saw a man dressed in white exit the pickup truck's driver's side door and shout something at the police officers as he was pointing toward the police cars. Mr. [REDACTED] was unable to determine if this male had anything in his hand; however, he was pointing his right hand at the officers. Mr. [REDACTED] explained that the suspect's back was toward him.

Mr. [REDACTED] said he saw one police officer exit the police car closest to the pickup truck from the left side rear door of the police car. Mr. [REDACTED] described the two police cars as one opposite the other or offset. Mr. [REDACTED] said he heard the police officer shout something to the man dressed in white. Mr. [REDACTED] said he heard the word "drop" followed by something he could not understand. Mr. [REDACTED] said he thought he heard "drop the gun" yelled loudly twice toward the man in white.

Mr. [REDACTED] told Detectives the officer also said something else, but he was unsure what it was the officer said. Mr. [REDACTED] told Detectives that he only saw one officer exit the car and was unsure as to where the other officer came from.

Mr. [REDACTED] said he saw the man in white move from the driver's side of the pickup truck to the other side. He was unclear if the man moved in front or behind the pickup truck; however, he described this movement as being toward the officers. Mr. [REDACTED] again said he only saw the suspect's back as he moved toward the officers.

Mr. [REDACTED] said he turned his head momentarily toward the hotel as he wanted to leave the general area. He heard two shots that caused him to look back in the vicinity of the pickup truck and the police officers. Mr. [REDACTED] said that he no longer saw the suspect and did not notice where the officers were. Mr. [REDACTED] said he ducked upon hearing the shots.

Mr. [REDACTED] said he returned to the location of the police officers and saw a man on the ground, who was bleeding. He said less than five minutes later approximately ten police cars came "rushing" in. Approximately five minutes later an ambulance arrived followed by a second ambulance and firefighters.

Mr. [REDACTED] added he could not see clear enough to see if the officers were themselves armed.

Mr. [REDACTED] had nothing further to add, and the interview was terminated.

On 03-08-2003 at approximately 2335 hours, Detectives interviewed [REDACTED] Mr. Schenewerk told Detectives he is an employee at the Parson Company, located at 100 West Walnut Street in Pasadena.

Mr. [REDACTED] stated that at approximately 1930 hours, he was walking in a southbound direction through the parking lot of the Parsons Company. Mr. [REDACTED] stated that as he was walking through the parking lot he observed a black pickup truck, which he described as being similar to a Datsun, driving northbound one street west of Fair Oaks Avenue. He stated this truck was driving northbound from Colorado Boulevard to eastbound Holly Street. Mr. [REDACTED] knew there were barricades at the end of Holly Street just prior to the intersection of Fair Oaks Avenue. He observed two radio cars following the pickup truck. Their speed was approximately 20 miles per hour. Mr. [REDACTED] stated that these radio cars had their lights (indicating the overhead rotator lights) and sirens on.

Mr. [REDACTED] told Detectives when the vehicles reached the end of Holly Street just west of Fair Oaks Avenue the vehicles came to a stop. Mr. [REDACTED] told Detectives that as the vehicles stopped, the officers inside the radio cars exited. He heard them yell in very loud voices. "He has a gun." approximately four times.



Fearing for his safety and believing someone was possibly armed with a gun, Mr. [REDACTED] took refuge behind some trees. Mr. [REDACTED] told Detectives he heard the officers yell, "Put the gun down." He then heard what he believed to be one gunshot, followed by an additional gunshot three or four seconds later.

Mr. [REDACTED] stated he was standing by several male Hispanics who only spoke Spanish, but he believed they also witnessed the incident. Mr. [REDACTED] stated these individuals did not wait around for additional police officers to respond. Upon the arrival of additional police officers, Mr. [REDACTED] told them he had witnessed the incident.

Mr. [REDACTED] also told Detectives there were paramedics who rendered aid to the suspect.

Mr. [REDACTED] had nothing further to add, and the interview was terminated.

On 03-08-2003 at approximately 2358 hours, Detectives spoke with South Pasadena Police Officer **ANTHONY ABDALLA**, who was represented during the interview by Attorney Howard A. Liberman from the Law Firm of Silver, Hadden, and Silver.

Officer Abdalla told Detectives that he was hired by the Pasadena Police Department on 05-19-1990 and has been so employed ever since. Officer Abdalla said he had prior police experience with the Los Angeles Police Department having been hired by them in October of 1989. Officer Abdalla indicated that he graduated the Los Angeles Police Department Academy in February of 1990. Officer Abdalla told Detectives he was also a reserve police officer with South Pasadena from October of 1987. He attended a basic reserve academy class at Rio Hondo College prior to becoming a full-time police officer. Officer Abdalla said that he was currently a Police Officer II with the South Pasadena Police Department. Officer Abdalla stated he is a training officer; however, he was not so assigned on the evening of the incident.

Officer Abdalla stated he began his shift at approximately 12 noon on 03-08-2003 and was scheduled to end his shift at midnight. Officer Abdalla stated he works Thursday, Friday, and Saturday for 12-hour shifts. He indicated he got off last night at midnight and slept and ate prior to coming to work.

Officer Abdalla stated he began his shift in a standard Class B South Pasadena Police uniform, which consisted of navy blue pants and a navy blue short-sleeve shirt. Officer Abdalla had a hard South Pasadena police officer badge on his left breast. His uniform shirt had "South Pasadena Police" shoulder patches and two chevrons on each sleeve. Officer Abdalla additionally wore a Sam Browne belt which contained two magazine pouches, a radio and holder, two handcuff cases, an OC spray canister, and his duty sidearm.

Officer Abdalla said on the night of the incident he was assigned to work Unit #151, which is a one-person radio car. He stated he handled normal routine calls throughout the day.

Officer Abdalla said that at approximately 2000 hours, he was on a traffic stop assisting Officer [REDACTED] # [REDACTED] of the South Pasadena Police Department in the 100 block of Pasadena Avenue. He stated he was assigned the southwest beat; however, he was backing up Officer [REDACTED] on the traffic stop.

Officer Abdalla said that during this traffic stop, he observed a vehicle traveling westbound Pasadena Avenue at Arroyo Avenue at a high rate of speed with its headlights off. He described this vehicle as a black pickup truck and told Detectives he was unsure how many occupants were in the vehicle at the time. Officer Abdalla explained that having seen this vehicle traveling at a high rate of speed, he asked Officer [REDACTED] if he was okay. When Officer [REDACTED] replied that he was okay, Officer Abdalla began to walk toward his car in order to make a traffic stop on the aforementioned vehicle for the indicated violations he had observed.

Officer Abdalla stated that as the suspect vehicle passed, he noticed Officer Lucero behind the vehicle with his full rotator lights on. He assumed Officer Lucero was going to stop the vehicle for the violations which he had observed. Officer Abdalla said he turned back toward Officer [REDACTED] and continued with the backup as Officer Lucero was going to make the traffic stop.

Officer Abdalla told Detectives that Officer Lucero broadcast that he was following a failure to yield vehicle. Officer Abdalla estimated this was approximately 30 seconds after he had seen Officer Lucero following the black pickup truck. Officer Abdalla stated he entered his vehicle in order to assist Officer Lucero. Officer Abdalla said he drove westbound on Pasadena Avenue over the York bridge, west of York Boulevard. As Officer Abdalla was trying to catch up to Officer Lucero, he heard Officer Lucero broadcast that he was turning on Avenue 64.

Officer Abdalla said he caught up to Officer Lucero as they were northbound on Figueroa Avenue near Annan Way. He believed he broadcast he was rolling "Code 3" and he possibly broadcast that he was in pursuit, as the suspect vehicle almost struck a pedestrian in the roadway near Yosemite Drive. This was shortly after he caught up with Officer Lucero. Officer Abdalla said the suspect was driving recklessly and had ran several red lights of which he broadcast most of the intersections. Officer Lucero was also broadcasting. Officer Abdalla told Officer Lucero that he would broadcast the pursuit. Officer Abdalla said the suspect was driving recklessly. He believed the suspect was likely drunk and attempting to evade Officer Lucero.



Officer Abdalla said they continued at a high rate of speed in excess of 65 miles an hour. At times the suspect drove on the wrong side of roadway. Officer Abdalla said the suspect turned right (or east) on Colorado Boulevard from Figueroa Avenue. He recalled there was moderate vehicular and pedestrian traffic at the time. He stated he noticed several pedestrians on the sidewalk near De Lacey Avenue.

Officer Abdalla said that South Pasadena Police received a call of an armed robbery which had occurred in the city. He stated he was notified by his dispatcher to terminate the pursuit per his watch commander. Officer Abdalla said he canceled the pursuit having shut his lights and siren off at the time.

Officer Abdalla said he was eastbound on Colorado Boulevard near the Annandale area which borders the 134 freeway. He was continuing to drive eastbound back to the city and was still able to see the suspect when a broadcast indicated that the robbery suspect had fled and was armed with a toy handgun. Officer Abdalla said he believed the broadcast included that the suspect left on foot as no vehicle description was provided. Officer Abdalla said that due to the fact the suspect of the robbery had already fled he asked permission from his watch commander to continue to follow the black pickup truck which was still in his view as the suspect was still driving recklessly.

Officer Abdalla said he re-initiated the pursuit east on Colorado Boulevard at Orange Grove Boulevard. He asked his dispatcher to notify the Pasadena Police Department of the pursuit. Officer Abdalla said that at this time he became the [REDACTED] unit in the pursuit upon its re-initiation and Officer Lucero became the secondary unit in the pursuit. He stated he was approximately 30 to 50 yards behind the suspect upon re-initiating the pursuit.

Officer Abdalla said the suspect continued east on Colorado Boulevard and north on De Lacey Avenue. The suspect drove north on De Lacey Avenue which ultimately dead-ended into the parking lot of the Parsons building. He stated the suspect then made a right (or eastbound) turn onto Holly Street. Officer Abdalla said that as the suspect vehicle turned, his lights and siren were both still activated. He stated it was approximately one block east of De Lacey Avenue where Holly Street dead-ends into temporary barricades which block through traffic to Fair Oaks Avenue. Officer Abdalla described these barricades as reflective poles which had been placed in the ground.

Officer Abdalla said the suspect slowed his vehicle at the barricades and began to veer toward the north curb of Holly Street at the intersection of Fair Oaks Avenue. He stated the vehicle was traveling approximately 20 to 30 miles an hour as he turned onto Holly Street and slowed to approximately 15 to 20 miles an hour approaching the barricades. Officer Abdalla said the suspect vehicle stopped at an angle with the front of the pickup truck facing northeast.



Officer Abdalla said he did not recall seeing any pedestrian traffic; however, north/south vehicular traffic on Fair Oaks Avenue was passing as the vehicles came to a stop.

Officer Abdalla said he pulled his vehicle to the left and offset of the suspect vehicle and stopped. He was approximately 20 to 30 feet behind the suspect vehicle. He said his emergency lights were still activated; however, he had turned off his siren. He indicated he was beginning to initiate a high risk traffic stop and his high-beam headlights were illuminating the suspect vehicle. Officer Abdalla was unable to see how many occupants were inside the car.

Officer Abdalla said he put his vehicle in park and began to open his driver's side door. The driver's door of the suspect vehicle opened immediately and the suspect exited the pickup truck. Officer Abdalla said he noticed that the suspect's right hand, which was raised in Officer Abdalla's direction, had a gun in it. Officer Abdalla recalled the suspect was wearing a light-colored shirt and dark pants. He described the gun, which was raised in his direction, as black in color.

Officer Abdalla said he withdrew his duty weapon and pointed it toward the suspect. He ordered the suspect to drop the gun. Officer Abdalla said he retreated to the right rear portion of his police vehicle and took cover behind the trunk. He said he was in a semi-crouched position which still allowed him to have a good view of the suspect. Officer Abdalla said he felt his life was threatened and again told the suspect, "Drop the gun. Drop the gun. Drop the gun." Officer Abdalla repeated this statement again and again as loud as he could. Officer Abdalla said the suspect continued to point the gun back and forth between him and Officer Lucero. Officer Abdalla told Detectives he also feared for the safety of his partner, Officer Lucero. Officer Abdalla said he heard Officer Lucero giving orders to the effect of "Drop the gun," to the suspect.

Officer Abdalla said he looked momentarily toward Officer Lucero then back toward the suspect, who had moved from the driver's side to the passenger side of the pickup truck. Officer Abdalla said his attention was focused on the suspect's gun and his partner's position. Officer Abdalla said the suspect, who was now on the passenger side of the pickup truck, was continually commanded to drop the gun. Officer Abdalla said the suspect did not say anything to him or Officer Lucero. Officer Lucero then moved to his left.

Officer Abdalla said the suspect still had the gun pointed at him and lunged toward him with his outstretched hand holding the gun. Officer Abdalla said that he was very much in fear for his safety and other people in the immediate area. He stated to detectives he fired two rounds at the suspect, who went down. Officer Abdalla said he lowered his gun to a low ready position. Officer Lucero approached the suspects vehicle and stopped at the right rear portion of the pickup truck.



Officer Abdalla said he held that position for several seconds. Officer Abdalla said the gun was still in the suspect's hand. Officer Abdalla said Officer Lucero kicked the gun out of the suspect's hand. Officer Abdalla said he broadcast that shots were fired and the suspect was down. He requested paramedics. Officer Abdalla said the suspect's gun was kicked approximately 10 feet away from the suspect by Officer Lucero.

Officer Abdalla told Detectives that assisting units arrived at the location. He said the Pasadena Police Department was the first to arrive, followed by the South Pasadena Police Department. Officer Abdalla told Detectives the suspect was treated by paramedics and ultimately transported to the hospital.

Officer Abdalla told Detectives that a sergeant from the Pasadena Police Department asked for his Sam Browne belt and gun upon arrival at the Pasadena Police Department. Officer Abdalla's gun was returned to him prior to this interview by the investigating Detectives.

Upon inspection of Officer Abdalla's weapon Detectives noted it was a "Glock," Model 22, .40 caliber "Smith and Wesson," bearing Serial #YU091. Officer Abdalla's weapon held 1 round in the chamber and 12 live rounds in the magazine. Each of these live rounds was head-stamped "WIN," .40 caliber Smith and Wesson. Officer Abdalla explained that the magazine capacity of his Glock #22 was 15 rounds; however, he normally carried his weapon loaded with 14 rounds in the magazine and 1 round in the chamber.

On 03-09-2003, Sunday, at approximately 0050 hours, Detectives interviewed Police Officer **ANTHONY LUCERO**. Also present with Officer Lucero was Attorney Howard A. Liberman from the Law Firm of Silver, Hadden, and Silver.

Officer Lucero told Detectives he was hired by the South Pasadena Police Department as a reserve officer in April of 1995. Officer Lucero told Detectives he graduated from the Rio Hondo Reserve Police Academy in December of 1993 in Class #57 and obtained his Post Level 1 reserve agent certificate. He stated he completed the Rio Hondo Reserve Police Academy Module D in 1998 and obtained full-time police officer powers in a reserve status.

Officer Lucero told Detectives that prior to being interviewed by Homicide Detectives his service handgun, along with his Sam Browne belt, were taken by a Pasadena Police sergeant upon his arrival at the Pasadena Police Department. Officer Lucero stated he did not know the name of the sergeant but he was advised that it was protocol for the Pasadena Police Department. At the time Officer Lucero believed the Pasadena Police Department was conducting the investigation into the officer involved shooting. Officer Lucero retained his handgun, along with his Sam Browne belt, which were given back to him by Homicide Detectives.



In the presence of Homicide Detectives, Officer Lucero retrieved his Glock Model #22 .40 caliber handgun and rendered it safe. Officer Lucero told Homicide Detectives he normally carries the handgun with 14 rounds in the magazine and 1 round in the chamber. Officer Lucero explained that the magazine capacity was 15 rounds, but he only loaded it with 14 rounds so it would not add stress on the retention spring in the magazine.

Detectives noted there was 1 live round recovered from the chamber and 12 live rounds of from the magazine. Detectives also noted the serial number assigned to this Glock .40 caliber handgun was ACH297.

Detectives observed and were told by Officer Lucero that he was currently wearing a South Pasadena Police Department Class B short-sleeve uniform, which was navy blue in color. Detectives noted there was a South Pasadena Police badge over his left breast pocket and a name plate with the name of Lucero over the right breast pocket. Detectives also noted that Officer Lucero was wearing two shoulder patches depicting South Pasadena Police Department insignia and "Police Officer" on each shoulder.

Officer Lucero told Detectives his shift was from 12 noon to midnight and he was assigned to Unit #795. Officer Lucero stated he started his shift 15 minutes prior to his normal start time because there was a "Lojack" hit in the field and they were to assist with the search for the stolen vehicle.

Regarding the incident about which he was being interviewed, Officer Lucero recalled that between approximately 1920 and 1925 hours, he observed a mid-size to small compact pickup truck traveling eastbound in the 100 block of Pasadena Avenue with no headlights on. Officer Lucero stated that when he observed this vehicle, he immediately made a U-turn and began following the vehicle eastbound on Pasadena Avenue. At this point Officer Lucero noted that the suspect's vehicle was traveling at a high rate of speed. Officer Lucero stated that at this point in time, he activated his rotating emergency lights in an effort to effect a traffic stop. Officer Lucero noted the vehicle was making unsafe lane changes while it was driving eastbound.

Officer Lucero stated that when he was approximately 50 yards east of Avenue 64 at York Avenue and approximately four car lengths behind the suspect's vehicle, he said he attempted to hit the suspect's rear view mirror with his spotlight along with two short bursts from his siren in an effort to pull the vehicle over. Officer Lucero stated he observed the suspect look in his rear view mirror at which time he believed the suspect knew he was being followed by a police officer. Officer Lucero stated the vehicle then made a right turn to northbound Avenue 64 at a high rate of speed, which Officer Lucero estimated to be approximately 45 miles an hour.



Officer Lucero stated he then broadcast a failure to yield and continued following the vehicle to westbound Meridian Street. Officer Lucero told Detectives he then heard Officer Abdalla broadcast that he was directly behind Officer Lucero's vehicle. Officer Abdalla broadcast that he would call the pursuit.

Officer Lucero told Detectives that as the suspect vehicle continued northbound on Figueroa Street he ran through several red lights indicating a failure to stop for a red light violation.

Officer Lucero told Detectives that as they crossed Yosemite Drive, he observed an adult male and female, along with a child, in the crosswalk. The suspect vehicle drove past the pedestrians almost hitting them.

Officer Lucero stated the pursuit continued northbound on Figueroa Street to westbound Colorado Boulevard. Officer Lucero stated when they were on Colorado Boulevard the pursuit was terminated by the watch commander of the South Pasadena Police Department. Officer Lucero believed the reason for the termination of the pursuit was based on the fact that there was an in-progress robbery occurring in South Pasadena. He stated due to the pursuit, man power was short and they were needed to assist in this investigation. Officer Lucero stated he turned off his overhead rotator emergency lights, along with his siren. At this time, Officer Abdalla pulled directly in front of his vehicle. Officer Lucero noted Officer Abdalla had his amber lights on.

Officer Lucero told Detectives he was not familiar with area for a short period of time and eventually he noticed several landmarks and realized he was in the city of Pasadena.

Officer Lucero told Detectives he then heard a broadcast initiated from South Pasadena Police units that the 211 suspect was on foot and that a fake handgun was used in the crime. Based on this information Officer Lucero requested permission to continue with the pursuit based on his observations of the suspect vehicle continuing to drive recklessly and at a high rate of speed. Officer Lucero stated that permission was granted to continue with the pursuit. Officer Lucero was now the #2 vehicle with Officer Abdalla being the lead vehicle.

Officer Lucero stated that as they continued on Colorado Boulevard and while they were on the overpass of the 134 freeway eastbound, he noted there was heavy pedestrian traffic on the north and south sidewalks of the street. He also noted there was moderate vehicular traffic and the driver of the vehicle they were pursuing was driving recklessly without regard for individuals in the immediate area. Officer Lucero stated the suspect vehicle turned northbound on De Lacey Avenue from Colorado Boulevard and then made a right turn on Holly Street.



Officer Lucero stated that prior to entering Holly Street he requested dispatch to notify the Pasadena Police Department that South Pasadena Police Department units were in pursuit in their city.

Officer Lucero stated he believed Holly Street was approximately two streets north of Colorado Boulevard. The suspect vehicle turned eastbound at approximately 25 miles an hour. Officer Lucero stated he observed temporary barricades that were spaced approximately 3 1/2 feet apart with some type of reflector on each barricade at the end of Holly Street just prior to Fair Oaks Avenue. Officer Lucero told Detectives the suspect vehicle continued eastbound at a slow rate of speed. Prior to stopping the suspect vehicle angled in a northeast direction on Holly Street west of Fair Oaks Avenue.

Officer Lucero stated he parked his vehicle to the left of Officer Abdalla's vehicle. Both vehicles were offset in the standard formation for a high risk traffic stop. Officer Lucero told detectives this was a high risk traffic stop due to the fact that they were in pursuit of the suspect for several miles and the suspect showed total disregard for his safety and the safety of the public. Officer Lucero stated additionally he did not know why the suspect was fleeing from them.

Officer Lucero stated that he placed his car in park and as he looked up in the direction of the suspect vehicle, he observed the suspect standing outside the passenger door pointing a handgun in his direction. Officer Lucero stated he immediately felt in danger and feared for his life. Officer Lucero stated he immediately exited his vehicle via the driver's side door and went to the rear trunk area. He stated he took out his handgun and pointed it at the suspect and stated in a loud voice, "Drop the gun," several times. He also stated, "He has a gun," three or four times in an effort to let Officer Abdalla know what his observations were.

Officer Lucero told Detectives he looked in the direction of the suspect and noted he was holding a handgun. Officer Lucero stated there were no pedestrians or vehicular traffic in the area. Officer Lucero said he then observed the suspect back up. As he did so Officer Lucero said he repositioned himself to the driver's side of his vehicle. He stated he then observed the suspect move from the driver's side of the pickup truck to the passenger side of the pickup truck. As he was doing this the suspect continued to point the handgun in his direction and the direction of Officer Abdalla. Officer Lucero stated that throughout this time he and Officer Abdalla were making numerous announcements for the suspect to drop his gun and to put his hands up.

Officer Lucero stated the suspect moved forward almost as if he was lunging in their direction. Fearing for his safety and the safety of his partner and pedestrians in the area, Officer Lucero fired one round in the direction of the suspect. Officer Lucero stated he heard additional rounds fired which he believed were fired by Officer Abdalla.

Officer Lucero told Detectives he then saw the suspect go down to the ground and after several moments of assessing the immediate area, he approached the suspect. Officer Lucero told Detectives that the suspect was lying on his back with both of his hands out to his sides and that the gun in his right hand. Officer Lucero stated he kicked the gun out of the suspect's hand and checked for a pulse. Officer Lucero stated he felt a weak pulse and at that time requested additional units to respond, along with paramedics.

Officer Lucero stated he was then transported to the Pasadena Police Department after the suspect was treated by paramedics.

Officer Lucero had nothing additional to add, and the interview was terminated.

Prior to departing the Pasadena Police Department, Detectives provided both of the South Pasadena Police Department officers firearms to Scientific Services Bureau Firearms Examiner Senior Criminalist Dale Higashi.

On 03-09-2003 at approximately 0230 hours, Detectives responded to Suspect Amador Pollerana's residence address, in the city of Los Angeles. Having received no answer at Mr. Pollerana's residence, Detectives contacted the resident in the front house, [REDACTED] who was Mr. Pollerana's landlady.

Ms. [REDACTED] told Detectives that she last saw Amador on Friday, 03-07-2003. She stated she had left him a message that day around 12 or 1 o'clock in the afternoon.

Ms. [REDACTED] told Detectives that Amador drove a medium-size black pickup truck and lived in the rear residence with his girlfriend, [REDACTED]. Ms. [REDACTED] told Detectives she last saw [REDACTED] approximately two days previously. [REDACTED] does not drive a car. Ms. [REDACTED] described [REDACTED] as a 50-year-old female and informed Detectives that her son lived directly across the street from her.

On 03-09-2003 at approximately 0245 hours, Detectives contacted [REDACTED] at her son's house. Ms. [REDACTED] stated that she last saw Amador Pollerana at approximately 1330 hours on Saturday, 03-08-2003. She told Detectives that he drove a black Toyota pickup truck.

Ms. [REDACTED] went on to explain to Detectives that Amador was recently released from a hospital in Northridge after a suicide attempt. She described the hospital as a psychiatric hospital and explained that Amador had taken 32 sleeping pills and drank 1/5th of Hennessy (Cognac).



Ms. [REDACTED] told Detectives she has known Amador for approximately seven years and had a live-in/dating relationship with him for the last six years.

Ms. [REDACTED] told Detectives that last Wednesday, she received a call from her son at approximately 1600 hours in which she learned Amador had collapsed in the street and had been taken to a hospital. She was also told that Amador had left a suicide note indicating something to the effect that his past had caught up with him. Ms. [REDACTED] said that was the first suicide attempt by Amador.

Ms. [REDACTED] told Detectives that there was a person who had been using Amador's identity fraudulently. She also told Detectives that Amador had been threatened by this person if he ever told authorities.

Ms. [REDACTED] stated that Amador worked at Valentine Elementary School in San Marino as a custodian.

Ms. [REDACTED] told Detectives she was unclear as to what the contents of the suicide note were about in regards to Amador's past. She further explained that the police in the city of Pasadena were in possession of the suicide note as something in the note occurred within their jurisdiction.

Ms. [REDACTED] said Amador had told her he was going to pick up some videos and seemed fine when he left the residence. She stated she was at her son's house because Amador had not shown up for approximately two hours. She stated she called his sister, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] who had not seen him either.

Ms. [REDACTED] told Detectives that at no time was she ever afraid of Amador as he would never hurt anyone. She said he was not a violent person.

Ms. [REDACTED] told Detectives she did not know Amador to have contemplated any prior suicides.

Ms. [REDACTED] was notified of Amador's death by Detectives at approximately 0255 hours.

Ms. [REDACTED] granted Detectives permission to search her residence for any additional suicide notes which might have been left by Amador.

On 03-09-2003 at 0300 hours, Detectives were allowed access to Ms. [REDACTED] residence. No suicide nor other notes were seen by Detectives.

Detectives did note a medical discharge paper atop the living room coffee table. The discharge date on the paperwork indicated 03-06-2003 from the Northridge Hospital Medical Center. It indicated Amador had been seen, treated, and released home by [REDACTED] for "[REDACTED]." This paperwork indicated Amador was prescribed the medication [REDACTED] in [REDACTED] tablets to be taken every morning. Detectives noted the bottle of [REDACTED] also in the living room. The bottle indicated it was a 30-count prescription bottle, with 28 pills remaining in the bottle. The prescription was filled on 03-06-2003.

On 03-09-2003 at approximately 2200 hours, Detectives contacted [REDACTED], the wife of [REDACTED], who was the brother of Amador Pollerana.

[REDACTED] told Detectives that she and her husband, [REDACTED] were aware Amador had been seen previously by a Doctor for mental conditions and he was released from the Northridge Hospital psychiatric ward one week prior to this incident.

Ms. Pollerana told Detectives she was aware of a suicide note that was written on Amador's first attempt. She stated the note was being retained by the Pasadena Police Department. She requested Detectives obtain and investigate the suicide note.

Ms. Pollerana had nothing further to add, and the interview was terminated.

On 03-09-2003 at approximately 2220 hours, Detectives contacted [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Ms. [REDACTED] is the sister of Amador Pollerana and she requested to speak to Detectives.

Ms. [REDACTED] told Detectives her brother had attempted suicide on 02-26-2003 by an overdose of alcohol and pills. She told Detectives he was admitted to the Glendale Adventist Hospital and on 02-28-2003 he was transported to the Northridge Psychiatric Institute under the care of Dr. [REDACTED]. Ms. [REDACTED] stated that Amador was released on 03-06-2003 to his residence.

Ms. [REDACTED] told Detectives of the previous suicide attempt at Amador's residence on Meridian Street and she believed it would be handled by the Los Angeles Police Department. Ms. [REDACTED] said she was told there was a suicide note that was obtained by the Los Angeles Police Department, who in turn gave the note to the Pasadena Police Department because of its contents.

Ms. [REDACTED] went on to tell Detectives that she believed that an individual by the name of [REDACTED] [REDACTED] who was an ex-friend of Amador, was possibly extorting money and utilizing Mr. Pollerana's social security number for identity theft crimes.



Ms. [REDACTED] told Detectives she had obtained information from Amador's girlfriend, [REDACTED] that [REDACTED] was extorting money from Amador and fraudulently using Amador's credit card. Ms. [REDACTED] said she knew her brother was distraught over the past several weeks based on the fact she believed [REDACTED] was extorting money from him. She felt there was some type of black-mailing going on.

Ms. [REDACTED] told Detectives she knew her brother had a cocaine problem in the past and she believed [REDACTED] was the source of this problem. Ms. [REDACTED] said Mr. [REDACTED] and Amador both graduated from Pasadena High School in 1976. To her knowledge they had been in contact over the past several years. Ms. [REDACTED] told Detectives that part of the information she was offering was hearsay, but she thought it should be investigated because she believed her brother committed suicide due to the extortion by Mr. [REDACTED].

Ms. [REDACTED] also told Detectives that [REDACTED] has an identical twin brother by the name of [REDACTED] and he has a girlfriend who works for the Department of Motor Vehicles. Ms. [REDACTED] believed this girlfriend could be a source for his fraudulent activity.

Ms. [REDACTED] concluded the interview by telling Detectives that she felt the Mr. [REDACTED] was threatening her brother, which caused him to end his life by "suicide by cop."

Ms. [REDACTED] had nothing further to add, and the interview was terminated.

On 03-12-2003 at approximately 1030 hours, Detectives went to the Los Angeles County Coroner's Office regarding the postmortem examination of Amador Pollerana. Also present during the autopsy were Dr. Ortiz, Investigators Javier Beltran and Rogelio Maldonado of the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office, and Detective Matthew Ronnie of the South Pasadena Police Department.

Detectives observed a medical incision across the chest of the decedent, as well as a bruise below the right knee and a bruise on the upper left hip. Detectives noted an endotracheal tube in the decedent's mouth, as well as medical appliances by the right groin area. Dr. [REDACTED] pointed Detectives to a bruise on the right inner elbow consisting of a puncture wound, which he stated was indicative of a intravenous tube being inserted.

Detectives noted there were no tattoos or any remarkable oddities about the body.

Detectives noted a entry wound of a bullet below the left nipple. Dr. Ortiz told Detectives that the bullet entered in a right to left direction, front to back in a downward angle. Dr. [REDACTED] recovered one expended hollow point, copper-jacketed projectile from underneath the skin on the decedent's left side (Evidence Held Item #10).

Dr. [REDACTED] also recovered bullet fragments (Evidence Held Items #11 and #12) during the medical examination/autopsy of the decedent. Dr. [REDACTED] Evidence Held Items #10, #11, and #12 to Detectives.

On 03-13-2003 at approximately 0948 hours, Detectives contacted [REDACTED] [REDACTED] the sister of Suspect Amador Pollerana. Ms. [REDACTED] told Detectives she had retained a lawyer by the name of Donald Schwaeter and advised Detectives to contact him regarding information about a possible suicide note that she believed was recovered by the Los Angeles Police Department on Amador's previous suicide attempt.

Ms. [REDACTED] had nothing further to add, and the interview was terminated.

On 03-13-2003 at approximately 1000 hours, Detectives contacted Detective Jay King of the Los Angeles Police Department Homicide Bureau Northeast Division. Detective King told Detectives that he had recovered a Los Angeles Police Department report under DR #03-11-08795. This investigative report was an injury investigation by the Los Angeles Police Department. The interviewing officers were Officers K. Luong, Badge #34933, and P. Williams, Badge #24569. This report showed the victim's name as Amador C. Pollerana, with a residence address of 4917 Meridian Street in Los Angeles. The report stated that on 02-26-2003 at approximately 1600 hours the victim was found unconscious outside his residence in the street.

This report was indicated to Detectives as being the report that was taken the day of Suspect Pollerana's previous suicide attempt. At that time a suicide note was obtained by investigating officers who were on scene. This suicide note was photocopied for Los Angeles County Homicide Detectives and issued to them. It was a three-page note with one page being addressed as a suicide note. Two pages consisted of the suicide note.

Detective King told Detectives that there would be no follow-up investigation regarding this incident on the part of Los Angeles Police Department due to the fact that Suspect Pollerana had died in an officer involved shooting with the South Pasadena Police Department.

Detective King stated the original suicide note was booked into evidence at the Los Angeles Police Department, Northeast Division and would remain there until decided otherwise by Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Homicide Detectives.

Detective King advised Detectives that his partner was Jose Carrillo.

On 03-13-2003 at approximately 1055 hours, Detectives responded to the Big 5 Sporting Goods store located at 126 South Central Avenue in the city of Glendale.



Detectives contacted and spoke with manager trainee, [REDACTED] Mr. [REDACTED] told Detectives he has been employed by Big 5 Sporting Goods for approximately three years.

Mr. [REDACTED] stated he was working at the store on 03-08-2003. He began his shift at 0800 hours and was scheduled to end at 1630 hours. Mr. [REDACTED] stated that as a manager trainee he runs the entirety of the floor, which included the shoe department, cashier, and cash register. He stated that at times on 03-08-2003 he was working the cash register as a back-up cashier.

Mr. [REDACTED] was shown a photograph of Suspect Amador Pollerana provided to him by Detectives. He stated he did not recognize the individual in the photograph.

While at the location Detectives also spoke with [REDACTED] who is the assistant manager of the Big 5 Sporting Goods store in Glendale. Mr. [REDACTED] stated there was a surveillance system in place at the Glendale store for theft and security purposes. Mr. [REDACTED] told Detectives this security system was captured on VHS cassette each of which was stored by number for the respective day of the month to include 31 tapes. Mr. [REDACTED] provided Detectives with a videocassette tape marked "#8" with "#31" crossed out just above it on the label.

Mr. [REDACTED] additionally provided Detectives with three receipts for a Marksman, 1010, air pistol which was purchased from that particular store on 03-08-2003.

Mr. [REDACTED] told Detectives he began work on 03-08-2003 at approximately 0800 hours and ended at approximately 1700 hours. He recalled taking his lunch roughly between 1300 to 1330 hours that day.

Mr. [REDACTED] recalled that on 03-08-2003, he was standing at the cash register area opposite of the active cashier when a male approached him with a Marksman air pistol which he had purchased in a bag. This individual asked Mr. [REDACTED] to open the package containing the air pistol. Mr. [REDACTED] stated he cut the package with a razor blade in a L-shaped fashion. He stated this male removed the air gun, looked at it, and replaced it in the package. He ultimately left the store.

Mr. [REDACTED] described this male as wearing a yellow shirt and jeans. He recalled this individual had blond hair under a hat or a visor. Mr. [REDACTED] stated this individual had a thin build and described him as looking like a "jogger." Mr. [REDACTED] elaborated for Detectives that this individual picked the gun up with his right hand and seemed "jittery." He stated this person looked at both the right and left side of the gun and made a semi-pointing motion. He ultimately replaced the gun in the package and left the store.

Mr. [REDACTED] was also shown the photograph of Suspect Pollerana, but he did not recognize the individual in the picture.

On 03-13-2003 at approximately 1205 hours, Detectives responded to the Homicide evidence section and obtained the South Pasadena Police Department videocassette tape of the incident, along with the suspect's wallet containing \$163.68 in U.S. currency.

On 03-13-2003 at approximately 1345 hours, Detectives delivered the three Coroner's envelopes (Evidence Held Items #10, #11, and #12) seized at autopsy to the Scientific Services Bureau Firearms Detail. This ballistic evidence was received by Firearms Examiner Dale Higashi under Lab Receipt #J323901.

On 03-13-2003 at approximately 1540 hours, Detectives responded back to the scene at Holly Street west of Fair Oaks Avenue in an attempt to locate any possible bullet strikes or skip-rounds from the pavement. This location was checked with negative results.

On 03-17-03 at approximately 1030 hours, detectives responded to the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, Homicide Bureau Evidence Section and examined the suspects clothing, particularly his shoes. Detectives notes a hole in the right sole of the suspects shoe and evidence of blood on the suspect's right sock.

On 03-17-2003 at approximately 1100 hours, the aforementioned suspect clothing was submitted to the Scientific Services Bureau, Evidence Section under Lab Receipt # J298858. Detectives requested these items be examined by the Scientific Services Bureau, Firearms Detail and photographed.

This investigation is continuing, with further reports to follow.

BY: DETECTIVE JEFFREY LESLIE, #223389

DETECTIVE PHILLIP MARTINEZ, #196147

APPROVED BY: LIEUTENANT DANIEL ROSENBERG, #111228

HOMICIDE BUREAU - DETECTIVE DIVISION

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**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES - SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT - SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT**

**DATE:** MARCH 12, 2003

**FILE NO.:** 003-00028-3199-013

**C:** ASSAULT WITH REPLIC FIREARM  
ON A PEACE OFFICER - 417.4 P.C./  
ASSISTANCE TO SOUTH PASADENA  
POLICE DEPARTMENT/OFFICER  
INVOLVED SHOOTING

**ACTION:** ACTIVE/CRIME SCENE  
INVESTIGATION  
CONDUCTED/EVIDENCE  
COLLECTED/CORONER'S CASE  
#2003-01934

**V:** (SEE BELOW)

**D:** 03-08-2003 (SATURDAY) AT  
APPROXIMATELY 1930 HOURS

**L:** HOLLY STREET  
WEST OF FAIR OAKS AVENUE,  
PASADENA

**S:** POLLERANA, AMADOR [REDACTED]  
MH/44, DOB: 03-14-1958  
[REDACTED] STREET  
LOS ANGELES 90042  
CDL #N4600747, CII #A06218807  
SS #546-25-0429, FBI #293027T1

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**VICTIMS:**

V#1: ABDALLA, ANTHONY  
South Pasadena Police Officer, #151

V#2: LUCERO, ANTHONY  
South Pasadena Reserve Police Officer, #795

**WITNESS:**

W#1: [REDACTED]

MH/32 DOB: 09-10-1970

**EVIDENCE HELD:**

- Item #1: One spent .40 caliber shell casing.
- Item #2: One spent .40 caliber shell casing.
- Item #3: One spent .40 caliber shell casing.
- Item #4: One air pistol, "Marksman" brand, Model #1010, black in color, with the number "0239(7)642" stamped on the frame of the weapon.
- Item #5: One plastic bag, marked "Big 5 Sporting Goods," containing the packaging and owner's manual, as well as a sales receipt for a "Marksman" air pistol, Model #1010.
- Item #6: One VHS videocassette, orange in color, labeled "MVS02012," recovered from the trunk of South Pasadena Police Department Radio Car #0108.
- Item #7: One plastic bottle with the label "Crystal Geyser Water," 16.9 fluid ounces, with a small amount of clear liquid remaining in the bottle. Recovered from the driver's side floorboard of the suspect vehicle.
- Item #8: Suspect's clothing, which included: one pair of black leather shoes, one pair of white socks, one pair of blue sweat pants, and one pair of prescription glasses.
- Item #9: One computer compact disk recording of the South Pasadena Police Department's police radio traffic with regards to the pursuit of the suspect vehicle and the resulting officer involved shooting.

Items #1 through #4 were collected by Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department's Firearms Examiner Dale Higashi. These items were transported to the Sheriff's Crime Lab for further examination.

Items #5 through #9 were collected by Detective Steve Katz and booked at the Sheriff's Homicide Bureau. These items were entered into Evidence Book #2, Page #187, at approximately 0250 hours on 03-09-2003.

Any measurements related to this investigation referenced by Detectives are to be considered estimates only. The true and accurate measurements related to the investigation of this crime scene were taken and logged by Deputy Mario Cortez, #263506, and Forensic Identification Specialist Martin Mutuc, #258423.

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On 03-08-2003, Saturday, at approximately 2030 hours, Detectives Steve Katz and Mark Lillienfeld were directed from their residences to respond to a crime scene located at the intersection of Holly Street and Fair Oaks Avenue in the city of Pasadena in order to investigate an officer involved shooting by officers from the South Pasadena Police Department (SPPD).

Detectives Katz and Lillienfeld arrived on the scene at approximately 2145 hours and met with the handling Detectives on this case, Detectives Jeff Leslie and Phillip Martinez. Detectives were briefed by Lieutenant Dan Rosenberg, who was already on scene. Detectives Katz and Lillienfeld were directed by the handling Detectives on this case to process the crime scene and conduct an investigation.

An investigative plan was put into place wherein Detective Katz documented the crime scene west of Fair Oaks Avenue and Detective Lillienfeld documented the crime scene east of Fair Oaks Avenue. While examining the scene, Detectives were informed that an initial response by the Pasadena Police Department with regards to this officer involved shooting had already taken place. This initial information was documented under Pasadena Police Department File #030-13171. In addition, the South Pasadena Police Department initially documented this incident under their report number, #03-0609.

Detectives noted that the crime scene was secured by yellow police tape and precluded access to the crime scene mid-block on Fair Oaks Avenue between Colorado Boulevard and Holly Street. In addition, the crime scene extended to mid-block Fair Oaks Avenue north of Holly Street. Crime scene tape was also secured across Holly Street mid-block east of Fair Oaks Avenue. Additional crime scene tape secured De Lacey Avenue at Holly Street precluding any vehicular or pedestrian traffic from traveling eastbound into the crime scene.

Detectives briefly spoke with South Pasadena Police Detective [REDACTED]. Detective [REDACTED] told Detectives that the South Pasadena police officers involved in this officer involved shooting both carried Glock .40 caliber semiautomatic handguns as their duty weapons. He also indicated that the ammunition used by the South Pasadena Police Department is "Winchester Silver Tip" ammunition. Detective [REDACTED] also indicated that Officer Lucero's vehicle, #0108, had a video camera mounted to the dashboard and that the camera's recording mechanism was stopped at approximately 2020 hours by Sergeant Mike Neff of the South Pasadena Police Department.



At 2145 hours, Deputy Mario Cortez, #263506, arrived on scene and began documenting the scene at the direction of Detectives. Forensic Identification Specialist Martin Mutuc, who arrived on scene at approximately 2230 hours, assisted in documenting the scene. Both were responsible for detailed photographs of the crime scene, items of evidence identified and located by Detectives, as well as specific measurements of vehicle placement.

The location of the shooting is on Holly Street approximately 75 feet west of Fair Oaks Avenue. De Lacey Avenue is a north/south street that comprises the western edge of the crime scene. De Lacey Avenue intersects with Holly Street. Vehicles traveling northbound on De Lacey Avenue have the option of continuing northbound into a large asphalt parking lot, which encompasses the northwest corner of Holly Street and Fair Oaks Avenue or they can turn eastbound onto Holly Street. Holly Street becomes three lanes of traffic in an eastbound direction and one lane of traffic in a westbound direction. The one westbound lane of traffic on Holly Street is divided by a double yellow line separating it from the three eastbound lanes of traffic on Holly Street. The westbound lane of traffic on Holly Street is closest to the north curb line of Holly Street.

On the south side of Holly Street from De Lacey Avenue is a three-story parking structure. This structure was well-lit with lighting on all floors and illuminating Holly Street on the north side of the parking structure. East of the parking structure is an eight-story office building, which covers the remainder of the block on the south side of Holly Street. Detectives noted that lights on the first and second floors of the office building were on and the light from these offices also illuminated Holly Street, which is north of the office building. The area illuminated by these lights is the approximate area of the officer involved shooting. In addition, Detectives noted four lights on the exterior south-facing wall of the planter at the base of this office building. These lights run along the north side of the retaining wall and also shine out onto the sidewalk and onto Holly Street illuminating the sidewalk and street north of the office building. Detectives noted that on the east half of the third floor of the office building, office lights were on and illuminated a portion of Holly Street.

Detectives noted that the north and south sides of Holly Street have approximately 5-foot to 7-foot sidewalks, which are north and south of the respective curb lines of Holly Street. Both of the curb lines are tree-lined. The trees on the south side of Holly Street are spaced approximately 20 feet apart from De Lacey Avenue eastbound. The last tree is planted at the west perimeter of the office building, which was previously described.

The north side of Holly Street has four streetlights shining downward onto Holly Street. These lights are situated from the corner of De Lacey Avenue and are spaced approximately 40 to 50 feet in an easterly direction along the curb line. The fourth light is approximately 150 feet from the third light and approximately 40 feet west of South Pasadena Police Department radio car, Unit #0108. A small planter bed separates the north sidewalk of Holly Street from the north curb line of Holly Street at the location where South Pasadena Police Department



radio car, Unit #0108 was parked. The curbs on the north and south sides of Holly Street are painted red.

Detectives noted that supplemental lighting was positioned on the south sidewalk of Holly Street with light being directed toward the shooting scene. The lighting was powered by a portable generator. One light was approximately 20 feet west of Fair Oaks Avenue and the second light was approximately 50 feet west of Fair Oaks Avenue.

The eastbound lanes of Holly Street allow for turns in the following directions as Holly Street meets Fair Oaks Avenue. Lane #1 must turn left onto Fair Oaks Avenue (northbound). Lane #2 must turn left onto Fair Oaks Avenue (northbound) as well. Lane #3 may proceed eastbound on Holly Street or turn right (southbound) onto Fair Oaks Avenue. The westbound #1 lane of Holly Street continues to De Lacey Avenue from Fair Oaks Avenue, where a left turn (southbound) can be made or a right turn into the previously described parking lot can be made.

Detectives noted eight steel poles approximately 4 feet in height, yellow in color, with reflective tape, inserted into pre-positioned holes in the street approximately 40 feet west of the west curb line of Fair Oaks Avenue on Holly Street. These poles prevent traffic from reaching Fair Oaks Avenue as vehicles drive eastbound on Holly Street. These poles were in place at the time of the shooting. These poles also prevent westbound traffic on Holly Street from continuing westbound on Holly Street from Fair Oaks Avenue. These poles stretch from the north curb line of Holly Street to the south curb line of Holly Street.

Detectives noted a marked black and white South Pasadena Police Department radio car bearing the number "0108" and determined this vehicle was driven by Reserve Officer Anthony Lucero. This vehicle was parked facing eastbound in the northernmost westbound lane of Holly Street approximately 4 feet south of the north curb line of Holly Street and angled slightly to the north. The engine to this vehicle was running and the overhead light bar was fully activated. Red and blue lights were flashing and solid red and blue lights were facing forward. The driver's side door was open and the headlights were on. Detectives noted a nylon police equipment bag in the right front passenger seat including a flashlight, a CPR pocket mask, and a citation book, along with other police equipment.

Detectives noted that locked in the shotgun rack between the two front seats of the radio car and attached to the prisoner screen was a "Remington" Model #870, 12-gauge shotgun, with the markings "SPPD04" on the stock. Six additional rounds of ammunition were seen mounted to the left side of the shotgun. The weapon was found to be loaded with four live 12-gauge shotgun shells.



The mileage for this vehicle was 16,948 and the gas gauge read just below one-half full. The mobile digital terminal (MDT) was on and functioning and the radio was tuned to SPPD Frequency #1.

This vehicle was equipped with a forward facing video camera, which was on and functioning at the time of the pursuit and subsequent officer involved shooting. Detectives also noted that the FM radio in this radio car was tuned to 94.7 and that the volume was set rather low.

The rear windows on this vehicle were lowered approximately one-quarter of the way.

The vehicle license number affixed to this radio car was 1069089 Exempt.

Approximately 4 feet south of the right rear tire of this vehicle was a spent .40 caliber shell casing, which was identified as Evidence Item #3.

Parked south and east of South Pasadena Police Department Radio Car #0108 is Unit #0306. This radio car bears License Plate #146239 Exempt. SPPD Unit #0306 is a marked black and white radio car. Detectives later learned that this vehicle was driven by Corporal Anthony Abdalla.

The vehicle was parked in the #1 eastbound lane of Holly Street at a slight angle to the north. It was behind and offset to the left from the suspect's vehicle. The radio car was approximately 5 feet west and offset to the north by approximately 2 to 3 feet. The spotlights and headlights to this vehicle were not on. The vehicle's engine was running and the overhead red and blue light bar on this vehicle was flashing and rotating. Solid red and blue lights were also facing forward. This vehicle was not equipped with a video recording system. The driver's side door of this vehicle was fully open. Detectives noted that a nylon police equipment bag was situated on the right front seat. Detectives noted that this bag contained a citation book, a PR-24 baton, and what appeared to be a personal cellular telephone. On the right front floorboard of this vehicle was a tear gas mask contained in a green canvas bag. The mileage on the vehicle's odometer was 6,031, and the gas tank was just over one-half full.

Detectives noted a "Remington" Model #870, 12- gauge shotgun locked in the shotgun rack between the front seats. Six additional rounds of 12-gauge shotgun ammunition were attached to the left side of the weapon. This shotgun bears a label "Shotgun #1" and the label is orange in color. This weapon was determined to be loaded with four live 12-gauge shotgun shells.

Detectives also noted a Streamlight flashlight in a charger, which was also situated between the front seats and against the prisoner cage of this vehicle.

The MDT computer in this vehicle was on and functioning. The radio in this vehicle was set to SPPD Frequency #1.



Also contained in this vehicle was a taser device, Model #TF76, Serial #5087, which was held in a rack over the center console forward of the radio console and equipment. This taser had a laser sighting system attached to it as well.

Found on the left rear floorboard in the prisoner's area of the radio car was a yellow "Pelican" plastic case, which contained a "Sony" digital camera.

Approximately 7 feet west of the rear bumper and 4 feet south of this vehicle was a spent .40 caliber shell casing, identified as Evidence Item #2. Approximately 9 feet south of this radio car and in line with the rear bumper was a spent .40 caliber shell casing, identified as Evidence Item #1.

The suspect's vehicle was located just east and slightly north of the previously described Radio Car #0306. The suspect's vehicle was a 1988 Toyota pickup truck, black in color, bearing California License #3M22664. The tags are valid until February of 2004. The vehicle identification number on this vehicle was JT4RN50R1J5135657.

The wheels on this vehicle are chrome. Detectives noted the bed of the truck was empty and unremarkable. Detectives found that the vehicle's engine was running and the headlights and taillights were on. The mileage registered on the vehicle odometer was 104,629 and the gas gauge read one-half full. This vehicle had a manual transmission. Detectives noted that a front license plate matching the rear license plate was affixed to the front bumper.

Detectives noted that the windows to this vehicle were standard and no tinting had been affixed to any of the windows. Detectives also saw that the passenger window of the suspect vehicle was rolled up completely and the right front passenger door was locked. The driver's side window was found to be almost completely rolled down.

On the driver's side floorboard, Detectives noted a "Crystal Geyser" water bottle, 16.9 ounces, which was almost completely empty. This bottle was collected and identified as Evidence Item #7. On the right passenger floorboard, Detectives noted a "Trader Joe's" paper grocery bag with three bananas and four Crystal Geyser water bottles remaining in a six pack of Crystal Geyser bottled water. Inside the bag was a purchase receipt from Trader Joe's, located at 1566 Colorado Boulevard, Eagle Rock, California, 90041. The phone number to the store is (323) 257-6422. The receipt indicated that the purchase was made on 03-08-2003 at 1755 hours. The receipt also bore the name "██████". The purchase receipt indicated the purchase of Crystal Geyser water, as well as grocery, non-taxable, items.

On the right front passenger seat of the suspect vehicle was a white baseball cap. The baseball cap had the logo of the "Lakers" basketball team embroidered on it, with the logo of "back to back" on it. There was a gray hooded, long sleeve, zippered jacket beside the hat.



Detectives also noted a plastic "Sav-on Drug Store" bag containing one unopened bottle of Crystal Geyser water, one opened box of "Albertson's" waste basket liners, and a receipt. The receipt was from Sav-on Drug Store #9784, located at 1030 Colorado Boulevard, Eagle Rock, California. The name [REDACTED] and the date and time, 03-08-2003 at 1809 hours were also reflected on the receipt. The receipt was for the purchase of the Albertson's waste basket liners. Also on the seat were two of the Albertson's waste basket liners, which appeared to have been taken out of the opened box and left on the front seat.

Detectives moved the back portion of the seat forward in order to examine the storage area behind the seat. In the right rear portion of the storage area, Detectives noted a pair of jumper cables. In the left rear portion of the storage area behind the driver's seat, Detectives noted an anti-theft wheel locking device, as well as a plastic bag marked "Big 5 Sporting Goods."

Detectives found that this bag contained packaging for a "Marksman" Model #1010 air pistol, along with the owner's manual, which was still inside the packaging. The outline of this air pistol and its packaging appeared to have been cut along the top and along the left side of the package with a sharp cutting instrument, possibly a razor.

A receipt for the purchase of this pistol was also inside of the bag. It reflected that the purchase was made from Big 5 Sporting Goods Store #47, located at 126 South Central Avenue, Glendale, California, 91204. The phone number for this store is (818) 246-1100. The receipt reflected the purchase of a Marksman air pistol for \$22.99 and indicated that the purchase was made with cash and that change was returned to the purchaser. The date stamped on the receipt is 03-08-2003 at 1403 hours. This plastic bag, the packaging for the air pistol, and the receipt were collected as Evidence Item #5. Also found in the left rear portion of this storage area was a jack and miscellaneous rags.

A search of the glove box of the suspect's vehicle revealed a radio face plate for the AM/FM radio in the center console of the truck, as well as the 1988 owner's manual for the vehicle. Detectives also located a black leather wallet containing California Driver's License #N4600747 in the name of Amador [REDACTED] Pollerana, DOB: 03-14-1958, with the address of [REDACTED]. The California Driver's License described him as having red hair, green eyes, 5 feet 6 inches tall, 180 pounds, and requiring corrective lenses. Detectives noted a social security card under the same name with the number [REDACTED]. Detectives also noted a letter from the Superior Insurance Company indicating insured information for Amador Pollerana. Also found in the glove box was a brown, zippered, leather coin-type purse. Detectives noted \$162 in cash and \$1.68 in change in this coin pouch. Also in the pouch were three house-type keys.

Approximately 8 feet south of the suspect's vehicle and in line with the previously described metal poles, which cross Holly Street from north to south, was a Marksman Model #1010 air pistol, which is black in color. Stamped on the side of the pistol were the numbers



"0239(7)642." This item was collected, photographed, and identified as Evidence Item #4. It was also the same make and model and matched the packaging previously described as being recovered from the suspect's vehicle. In size, shape, color, and detail, this pistol greatly resembles a large framed, semi-automatic pistol, particularly a Colt .45 pistol.

South of the suspect's vehicle by approximately 4 feet and in the #1 eastbound lane of Holly Street was a variety of paramedic debris stretching approximately 10 feet west of the previously described metal poles. At the center of this debris was a red stain, which appeared to be blood. The stain was approximately 8 inches around and uneven.

During the scene investigation Detectives noted that Fair Oaks Avenue is a north/south commercial boulevard with four lanes of southbound traffic and three lanes of northbound traffic divided by a double yellow line. Holly Street west of Fair Oaks Avenue is an east/west street as previously described.

On the southwest corner of Fair Oaks Avenue and Holly Street was an eight-story office building known as the Parsons office building with large letters identifying it as such on the top floor. The true and correct address for this office building is 75 North Fair Oaks Avenue. This building takes up the entire southwest corner of the intersection. Detectives saw that the intersection was controlled by a typical traffic signal.

A marked black and white South Pasadena Police Department car was parked on the southwest corner of Fair Oaks Avenue and Holly Street facing in a westbound manner. The front and rear tires of this vehicle were actually up on the sidewalk and the rear amber lights were in the "on" position. This vehicle, Unit #01110, was identified as having been driven by one of the assisting officers, identified as South Pasadena Police Department Officer [REDACTED]

A second marked black and white South Pasadena Police Department unit driven by Sergeant Joe Lunnon was identified as Unit #9727. This particular police car was also parked facing westbound on the north side of Holly Street just west of the west curb line of Fair Oaks Avenue.

Detectives also noted parked directly in front of this vehicle on the north side of Holly Street facing westbound, just west of Fair Oaks Avenue, was a black four-door Chevrolet Caprice with California License #E369979. This vehicle belonged to the city of Pasadena Police Department and was driven to the location by Pasadena Police Officer Roger Roldan, who responded approximately two to three minutes after the incident occurred.

Holly Street west of the west curb line of Fair Oaks Avenue extends for approximately 30 feet up to the previously described yellow traffic poles. Detectives noted that there were sidewalks on all four corners of the location. Detectives further observed some paramedic debris

including gauze pads, packaging, and gloves lying on the street directly east of the previously described yellow traffic poles.

There was a large parking lot on the northwest corner of the location that had approximately 25 cars parked in it. On the northeast corner of Fair Oaks Avenue and Holly Street, Detectives saw a two-story brick building that was doing business as "Marine Building Limited." The true and correct address for this building is 128 Fair Oaks Avenue. Just south of this building on the northeast corner of Fair Oaks Avenue and Holly Street was a small parking lot for this building, approximately 25 feet x 35 feet.

On the southeast corner of the intersection is a series of two-story buildings housing different businesses. The first business located directly south of Holly Street on the east side of Fair Oaks Avenue is "Designer Rugs and Kilims" doing business at 100 Fair Oaks Avenue.

Attached to and directly south of this business is a restaurant located at 90 Fair Oaks Avenue doing business as "Tortas Mexico." Directly south of this business sharing a common wall in the same building is "Domenico's" restaurant, doing business at 82 Fair Oaks Avenue. Directly south of the restaurant and also sharing a common wall is a restaurant conducting business under the name "Mezbaan Indian Cuisine." This restaurant bears a street address of 80 Fair Oaks Avenue. Directly south of the Indian restaurant was a business operating under the name of "McMurphy's" bar, located at 72 Fair Oaks Avenue. Directly south of these businesses was a pay parking lot that was approximately 100 feet x 100 feet and located on the northeast corner of Fair Oaks Avenue and Union Street. Union Street is an east/west street with commercial businesses on both sides of it. It is the first major street directly south of where the incident occurred.

The entire area was extremely well lit with both old and newer-appearing streetlights on the east and west sides of Fair Oaks Avenue.

On the sidewalk directly in front of Domenico's restaurant Detectives noted what appeared to be two 1-inch-long silver marks in the concrete pavement of the sidewalk. Senior Criminalist Dale Higashi conducted a lead residue test on these marks and determined that they did not test positive for lead. It was his opinion that they were not related to this incident. Detectives saw a payphone attached to the exterior wall of Domenico's bearing the telephone number (626) 356-1991, with no identified carrier.

On the brick wall directly north of Domenico's Detectives saw what appeared to be an approximate 2 inch chunk of missing brick. This indentation had what appeared to be loose brick crumbs on the pavement directly underneath it. This remarkable defect was approximately 1 foot high off of the ground and approximately 50 feet south of the south curb line of Holly Street. This defect was also examined and tested by Senior Criminalist Higashi. It also proved negative for lead residue.



At 2220 hours, Detective Lillienfeld was contacted by South Pasadena Chief of Police Daniel Watson. Chief Watson advised that earlier in the evening he had met South Pasadena Reserve Police Officer [REDACTED] at the South Pasadena Police Department. At that time Reserve Officer [REDACTED] had advised the Chief that he had been to the hospital and he had retrieved a plastic bag from Huntington Memorial Hospital that had the suspect's clothing in it. The Chief took custody of this clothing and subsequently gave it to Detective Lillienfeld. This clothing consisted of one pair of black leather shoes that were tied, one pair of white socks, one pair of prescription eyeglasses with a brown/gray plastic frame, and one pair of blue cotton sweat pants. All of these items, including the glasses, were held as Evidence Item #8.

On 03-08-2003, Saturday, at 2340 hours, Detective Lillienfeld contacted Witness [REDACTED]. The interview was translated with the assistance of Pasadena Police Officer [REDACTED]. Mr. [REDACTED] stated that he is employed part-time as a car valet and that he parks cars in a parking lot directly north of where the incident occurred. This would be the parking lot on the northwest corner of Holly Street and Fair Oaks Avenue.

Mr. [REDACTED] stated that he was parking some cars and walking through the parking lot when he heard sirens. He looked in a southerly direction and saw two marked police cars effecting a traffic stop on a male White adult in a black pickup truck.

Mr. [REDACTED] stated that he watched as the driver of the pickup truck, subsequently identified as Suspect Pollerana, got out of the truck holding what appeared to be a black handgun in his right hand. Mr. [REDACTED] said that immediately both officers were out of their marked radio cars and pointing their weapons at the suspect. He stated that he heard commands from both officers in English of "drop the gun" at least ten times. Although Mr. [REDACTED] speaks primarily Spanish, he stated that he clearly understood the commands that were given in English and he knew what they meant. He further articulated that it was evident to him that he heard the commands in two different voices and that he knew that each of the two officers were giving the commands to drop the gun.

Mr. [REDACTED] stated that he watched the suspect as he stood outside of the open driver's side door of his truck pointing the weapon westbound, in the direction of the officers. Mr. [REDACTED] went on to state that he watched the suspect walk around the front headlights of his truck in an east, and then southerly direction towards the passenger side of the truck. He stated that all the while he was watching the suspect, the suspect was holding and pointing what appeared to be a black handgun towards the officers.

Mr. [REDACTED] went on to state that at one point in time as the suspect reached the area just south of the headlights of his own truck, he pointed the weapon towards the officers and fired what he thought was one round. Mr. [REDACTED] said that almost simultaneously he heard the



officers return fire with what he thought was another singular gunshot. He stated that as this was occurring, he was taking cover behind a parked car which was approximately 35 feet north of where this incident occurred. Mr. [REDACTED] said that he watched as the suspect fell down on the ground and did not see anything further regarding the officers' actions as far as detaining or treating the suspect. He did state that within 5 to 10 seconds both officers appeared very distraught and upset. He said he watched one officer bring both hands up to his head and hold himself in a manner indicating that he was upset and distressed.

The interview with Mr. [REDACTED] was tape recorded and will be maintained by Detectives as a permanent part of the case file.

On 03-09-2003 at 0015 hours, Detectives met with Officer [REDACTED] # [REDACTED] of the South Pasadena Police Department, at the scene.

Officer [REDACTED] assisted Detectives in obtaining the videocassette from the trunk of Officer Lucero's South Pasadena Police Department Radio Car, unit #0108. Officer [REDACTED] unlocked the secured box containing the equipment in which the tape was located and provided that tape to Detectives. This item was collected and identified as Evidence Item #6.

In addition, Officer [REDACTED] examined the MDT in this radio car, as well as the MDT in Unit #0306 to determine whether or not the vehicle license number of the suspect's vehicle had been entered into either computer. Officer [REDACTED] told Detectives there was no indication that the officers had entered the suspect's vehicle license number into their computers.

Detectives directed Officer [REDACTED] to arrange for the suspect's vehicle to be towed to the South Pasadena Police Department where it was going to be parked in a secured area within the police department property.

On 03-09-2003, Sunday, at 0130 hours, Detective Katz responded to the South Pasadena Police Department where he was able to collect the South Pasadena Police Department audio recording of radio traffic related to the pursuit and officer involved shooting. This item was collected and identified as Evidence Item #9.

On 03-09-2003, Sunday, at approximately 0250 hours, Detective Katz transported Evidence Items #5, #6, #7, #8, and #9 to the Sheriff's Homicide Bureau where they were booked into the Homicide Bureau's evidence storage locker. These items were categorized in Evidence Book #2, Page #187.

Evidence Items #1, #2, #3, and #4 had previously been collected by Senior Criminalist Dale Higashi of the Crime Lab Firearms Section. These items were transported to the Sheriff's Crime Lab by Senior Criminalist Higashi for examination and comparison.

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During the course of this investigation Detective Lillienfeld was contacted by Pasadena Police Department Forensic Specialists Alex Padilla, Jr., and Kevin Roon. Forensic Specialists Padilla and Roon were on duty in a marked black and white police car when this incident occurred and they responded within one to two minutes.

Upon arriving they took approximately 12 photographs of the suspect as he was being detained and treated by paramedics. These photographs will be duplicated, obtained by Detectives, and made a permanent part of the case file. These photographs and their negatives will be maintained at the Pasadena Police Department under Pasadena Police Department Case #030-13171.

This investigation is continuing, with further reports to follow.

**BY: SERGEANT STEVEN KATZ, #223233**

**DETECTIVE MARK LILLIENFELD, #195921**

**APPROVED BY: LIEUTENANT DANIEL ROSENBERG, #111228**

**HOMICIDE BUREAU - DETECTIVE DIVISION**

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## SOUTH PASADENA POLICE DEPARTMENT 1970

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1. CASE NO.

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2. CODE SECTION CVC 2800.2	3. CRIME FELONY EVADING	4. CLASSIFICATION VEHICLE	5. REPORT AREA SEE REPORT
6. DATE AND TIME OCCURRED-DAY 03-08-03, 1930 Hours, Saturday	7. DATE AND TIME REPORTED 03-08-03, 1930 Hours	8. LOCATION OF OCCURRENCE CITY STREETS IN SOUTH PASADENA, LOS ANGELES AND PASADENA.	
9. VICTIM'S NAME-LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE (FIRM IF BUSINESS) STATE OF CALIFORNIA		10. RESIDENCE ADDRESS --	11. RES. PHONE --
12. OCCUPATION --	13. RACE-SEX --	14. AGE --	15. DOB --
16. BUSINESS ADDRESS (SCHOOL IF JUVENILE) --		17. BUS. PHONE --	

CODES FOR V=VICTIM W=WITNESS P=PARENT RP=REPORTING PARTY DC=DISCOVERED CRIME BOXES 20 AND 30

18. CHECK IF MORE NAMES IN  
CONTINUATION ☐

19. NAME-LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE ABDALLA, ANTHONY	20. CODE R/P	21. RESIDENCE ADDRESS N/A	22. RES. PHONE N/A
23. OCCUPATION POLICE OFFICER II	24. RACE-SEX W - M	25. AGE Adult	26. DOB Adult
27. BUSINESS ADDRESS (SCHOOL IF JUVENILE) 1422 MISSION STREET SOUTH PASADENA, CA. 91030		28. BUS. PHONE (626) 799-1121	
29. NAME-LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE UCERO, ANTHONY RANDOPH	30. CODE R/P	31. RESIDENCE ADDRESS N/A	32. RES. PHONE N/A
33. OCCUPATION RESERVE POLICE OFFICER	34. RACE-SEX A - M	35. AGE Adult	36. DOB Adult
37. BUSINESS ADDRESS (SCHOOL IF JUVENILE) 1422 MISSION STREET SOUTH PASADENA, CA. 91030		38. BUS. PHONE (626) 799-1121	

## MODUS OPERANDI (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

1. DESCRIBE CHARACTERISTICS OF PREMISES AND AREA WHERE OCCURRED  
**Residential and Business streets**

2. DESCRIBE BRIEFLY HOW OFFENSE WAS COMMITTED  
**Officers attempted to stop a driver for a traffic violation, at which time the driver failed to yield. A pursuit ensued for approximately five miles and terminated at the intersection of Holly Street and Fair Oaks Avenue in Pasadena. The suspect exited the vehicle, approaching the officers with a handgun.**

3. DESCRIBE BRIEFLY HOW OFFENSE WAS COMMITTED  
**Officers ordered the suspect to drop the handgun, suspect refused, forcing the Officers to use deadly force, by shooting at the suspect. Suspect was taken to Huntington Memorial Hospital by Paramedics and later died from his injuries. Officers were not injured.**

4. DESCRIBE WEAPON, INSTRUMENT, TRICK, DEVICE OR FORCE USED  
**Vehicle.**

5. MOTIVE-TYPE OF PROPERTY TAKEN OR OTHER REASON FOR OFFENSE  
**Unknown**

6. ESTIMATED LOSS VALUE AND/OR EXTENT OF INJURIES-MINOR, MAJOR  
**Human Life.**

7. WHAT DID SUSPECT/S SAY-NOTE PECULIARITIES  
**/A**

8. VICTIM'S ACTIVITY JUST PRIOR TO AND/OR DURING OFFENSE  
**/A**

9. TRADEMARK-OTHER DISTINCTIVE ACTION OF SUSPECT/S  
**Vehicle Pursuit, Officer involved shooting.**

10. VEHICLE USED-LICENSE NO.-ID NO.-YEAR-MAKE-MODEL-COLORS (OTHER IDENTIFYING CHARACTERISTICS)  
**#22664 1988 Black 2 Door, Toyota Truck VIN# JT4RN50R1J5135657**

SUSPECT #1 (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE) OLLERANA, Amador	49. RACE-SEX W-M	50. AGE 44	51. HT 506	52. WT 180	53. HAIR RED	54. EYES GRN	55. ID # OR DOB 03-14-1958	56. ARRESTED YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
ADDRESS, CLOTHING AND OTHER IDENTIFYING MARKS OR CHARACTERISTICS <b>18 MERIDIAN STREET LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90042 CDL# N4600747, [REDACTED], CII A06218807, FBI# 293027T1</b>								
SUSPECT #2 (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE) INE	59. RACE-SEX --	60. AGE ---	61. HT ---	62. WT ---	63. HAIR ---	64. EYES ---	65. ID # OR DOB -----	66. ARRESTED YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
ADDRESS, CLOTHING AND OTHER IDENTIFYING MARKS OR CHARACTERISTICS <b>INE</b>								68. CHECK IF MORE NAMES IN CONTINUATION <input type="checkbox"/>

REPORTING OFFICERS # [REDACTED]	RECORDING OFFICER J. [REDACTED] # [REDACTED]	TYPED BY [REDACTED]	DATE AND TIME 03-09-03 / 0200	ROUTED BY
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SOL PASADENA POLICE DEPARTMENT  
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**BACKGROUND:**

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**NARRATIVE/STATEMENTS:**

On Saturday, March 08, 2003, at about 1920 hours, I was working patrol in a marked South Pasadena Police vehicle, shop number 0107, at which time I had two vehicles stopped for traffic violations in the 100 block of Pasadena Avenue in South Pasadena California. Officer Abdalla # 151 arrived to assist, while I was writing the traffic citations, both Officer Abdalla and I saw a vehicle driving west on Pasadena Ave., without it headlamps on. (Violation of California Vehicle Code Section 24400 *During darkness, every motor vehicle other than a motorcycle, shall be equipped with at least two lighted headlamps*). The vehicle continued west past us at a high rate of speed. (Violation of California Vehicle Code Section 22350 *No person shall drive a vehicle upon a highway at a speed greater than is reasonable or prudent having due regard for weather, visibility, the traffic on, and the surface and width of, the highway, and in no event at a speed which endangers the safety of persons or property.*)

The driver of the vehicle later identified by his California Drivers License as POLLERANA, Amador [REDACTED] DOB 03-14-1958, passed my location, at approximately 70 to 80 miles per hour, heading westbound on Pasadena Avenue approaching York Blvd.

Within seconds I saw Officer Lucero driving a marked black and white South Pasadena police vehicle, attempting to catch the suspect vehicle to enforce the above traffic violations. I saw that Officer Lucero's emergency lights were on when he passed my location. Officer Lucero caught up to the vehicle at the intersection of Avenue 64 and York Blvd. Officer Abdalla left my location to assist. Officer Lucero broadcasted, "I have a failure to yield, 3M22664 going northbound Avenue 64 from York."

Both Officers pursued the suspect on city streets in the City of Los Angeles and into the City of Pasadena, where the suspect committed additional traffic violations, some of which included; speeding, failing to stop at red traffic signals, failing to yield to pedestrians, driving on the wrong side of the roadway, and the continued failure to yield to the police. During this pursuit both Officers believed the suspect was impaired or intoxicated and that his erratic driving posed a direct threat to public safety. The emergency lighting on both of the Officers vehicles functioned properly throughout the duration of the pursuit and were still functioning when I arrived at the scene.

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The pursuit ended in Pasadena when the suspect turned onto a barricaded street at the intersection of Holly Street at Fair Oaks Avenue in Pasadena, California. The suspect exited the vehicle holding a handgun and walked towards the Officers.

Both Officers ordered the suspect to drop the gun, but he refused to do so, forcing the Officers to shoot the suspect. After the suspect was shot, Officer Abdalla immediately requested that Paramedics be sent to the scene to render aid to the suspect. The suspect was taken to Huntington Memorial Hospital where he later died.

The handgun that the suspect pointed at the Officers was later found to be an air BB pistol. For full details of the Officer involved shooting, refer to the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Homicide Bureau case number 003-00028-3199-013

**PURSUIT ROUTE:**

Officer Lucero attempted to stop a vehicle he was following from westbound Pasadena Avenue at Arroyo Drive in South Pasadena. Officer Lucero caught up to the suspect's vehicle at the intersection of York Boulevard and Avenue 64, in the city of Los Angeles. The following is the pursuit route the suspect led the Officers on:

The pursuit started at 1927 hours,  
Terminating at 1934 hours,  
(Times were taken from the South Pasadena Police Dispatch center.)

The suspect headed northbound Avenue 64 from York Boulevard, City of LA to:  
westbound Meridian Street, (6200 block) City of LA to:  
northbound on Figueroa, (6700 block) City of LA to:  
eastbound Colorado Boulevard (1000 block) City of LA- into City of Pasadena to:  
northbound Delacey Avenue City of Pasadena to:  
eastbound Holly Street to the barricade just west of the Fair Oaks Avenue intersection.

**RED SIGNALS:**

The suspect went through the red signals at  
Figueroa at Burwood (where he nearly struck a pedestrian)  
Figueroa at Yosemite  
Figueroa at Colorado (where he also drove on the wrong side of the roadway)

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**SPEEDS:**

During the pursuit, the suspect was traveling at speeds between 45 to 65 miles per hour.

**OFFICER LUCERO'S STATEMENT:**

On Sunday March 09, 2003, at about 0300 hours, at the station, I spoke to Officer Lucero who told me he was in route to assist me on my traffic stop when he saw a blacked out vehicle heading westbound in the 200 block of Pasadena Avenue crossing Arroyo Drive. Officer Lucero made a u-turn from eastbound Pasadena Avenue and activated his emergency lights in an attempt to catch up to the suspect's vehicle, at which time Officer Lucero said he caught up to the suspect at Avenue 64 and York Blvd, where the pursuit began.

**OFFICER PII ABDALLA'S STATEMENT:**

On Sunday, March 09, 2003 at about 0330 hours, at the station, I spoke to Officer Abdalla told me, he saw a vehicle approaching our location, blacked out at a high rate of speed. Officer Adballa said he saw Officer Lucero following the vehicle and he went to assist Officer Lucero.

**VEHICLE:**

3M22664, 1988 Black 2 Door, Toyota Truck VIN# JT4RN50R1J5135657

The suspect's vehicle was taken to South Pasadena Police Department, pending release from the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. See CHP 180 form attached.

**ACCIDENTS:**

None

**INJURIES:**

**SUSPECT:**

Suspect was shot; refer to the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Homicide Bureau case number 003-00028-3199-013.

**OFFICERS:**

No injuries

**TOWING COMPANY:**

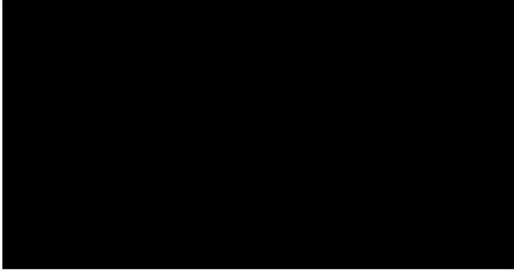
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**DISPOSITION:**

Refer to SPPD Detectives and LASD Homicide for follow up.



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Approving Supervisor      ID      Date 030903

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**Law Enforcement Investigators:**

Sergeant Joseph Payne, serial number 110  
Assignment: Sergeant in charge  
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South Pasadena, Calif. 91030  
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Sergeant Michael Neff, serial number 130  
Assignment: Sergeant in charge  
of the Bureau of Investigations  
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Detective Matthew Ronnie, serial number 152  
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Detective Phillip Martinez  
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Homicide Bureau  
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(323) 887-1160 Fax

Detective Jeffrey Leslie  
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Sergeant Paula Byrd  
Assignment: Sergeant in charge  
of the Bureau of Investigations  
San Marino Police Department  
2200 Huntington Drive  
San Marino, Calif. 91108-2691  
(626) 300-0722 Office  
(626) 300-0727 Fax

**Hospital:**

Northridge Hospital Medical Center  
Attention: Custodian of Records  
18300 Roscoe Boulevard  
Northridge, Calif. 91325  
(818) 885-5480 Office  
(818) 775-0953 Fax

**School:**

Southwestern Academy  
2800 Monterey Road  
San Marino, Calif. 91108  
(626) 799-5010

**Witnesses:**

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

On Sunday, March 9, 2003 at about 0245 hrs, Sgt. Payne, Sgt. Neff, Det. Martinez, Det. Leslie and I drove



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to [REDACTED] Street, in Los Angeles, to contact the next of kin for Suspect Amador Pollerana. Pollerana's last known address was at this location. This was at the request of Det. Martinez and Leslie.

When we arrived at this address, it was determined that Pollerana's next of kin was across the street at [REDACTED] Meridian Street. We walked over to this address. Det. Martinez and Det. Leslie spoke to Pollerana's girlfriend, [REDACTED]. Det. Martinez was given Pollerana's sister's name and phone number. Det. Martinez later spoke with Pollerana's sister via the telephone and informed her of Pollerana's death. Sgt. Payne, Sgt. Neff and I spoke to [REDACTED] son, in the rear bedroom of the residence.

[REDACTED] told us essentially that Pollerana and his mother have dated for many years. Pollerana either lives at [REDACTED] residence or his mother's [REDACTED] across the street at [REDACTED] Avenue. Mr. [REDACTED] described Pollerana as quiet and withdrawn. [REDACTED] said he believed Pollerana was suicidal because Pollerana had attempted this in the past. Mr. [REDACTED] referred to a specific date and time when this happened. Mr. [REDACTED] said he believes this suicide attempt occurred on Friday, February 28, 2003, sometime in the afternoon hours. Mr. [REDACTED] said Pollerana was found in front of [REDACTED] Street lying in the street and was unconscious. Mr. [REDACTED] said that Pollerana evidently took somewhere between thirty eight and forty plus sleeping pills, along with drinking a full bottle of Cognac (brandy) in an attempt to commit suicide. Mr. [REDACTED] said Pollerana left two suicide notes in his residence at [REDACTED] Street. Mr. [REDACTED] said L.A.P.D. Northeast Division Officers and L.A. City Paramedics responded to this attempt suicide and Pollerana was taken to Northridge Hospital Medical Center for treatment. Pollerana was committed for a seventy-two hour hold under WIC 5150. Mr. [REDACTED] did not know the L.A.P.D. officer's names that responded for this attempt suicide report.

Mr. [REDACTED] told us Pollerana was released from the hospital on either, Wednesday, March 5th, or Thursday, March 6, 2003. Mr. [REDACTED] said Pollerana seemed to be okay after his release, but he had not really spoke with him. Mr. [REDACTED] said Pollerana had called his mother, [REDACTED] on Saturday, March 8, 2003 at around 1330 hrs, and told her that he was going to "Blockbuster" to rent some movies. Mr. [REDACTED] said he did not know any further information.

Mr. [REDACTED] described Pollerana as quiet and withdrawn. Pollerana evidently worked as a janitor at a private school in San Marino, California. When I told Mr. [REDACTED] about the events that lead up to our contact with him and how Pollerana died, he spontaneously told me, "I figured that was him, I saw it on the news." Mr. [REDACTED] was referring to the T.V. broadcast that the news networks covered on live television.

I asked Mr. [REDACTED] if he thought this was out of character for Pollerana to be chased by the police and for him to point a B.B. gun at police officers. Mr. [REDACTED] told us, "Not really, he probably could not do it himself and would want someone else to do it." Mr. [REDACTED] meant Pollerana wanted the police to shoot and kill him because Pollerana could not do it himself. Mr. [REDACTED] said repeatedly, as he held back tears, "Please tell the cop it wasn't his fault."

At about 0300 hrs, Det. Martinez and Det. Leslie were given the keys to [REDACTED] residence by her and they walked over to her residence to see if Pollerana had left a suicide note. Sgt. Neff and I walked over there as well, but remained outside. Det. Martinez and Det. Leslie later told me they did not recover any suicide notes left by Pollerana in regards to this current incident.

Mr. [REDACTED] wife, Dena [REDACTED] met with us in the driveway of this residence and told us Mr. [REDACTED] had just told her what had happened to Pollerana. Mrs. [REDACTED] told me essentially the same information as her

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husband did. Mrs. [REDACTED] did however tell me what one of the suicide notes from the previous suicide attempt said. Mrs. [REDACTED] said the note she read that the L.A.P.D. officer recovered from Pollerana's residence said, "Dear [REDACTED] I'm sorry my past has caught up with me. [REDACTED] got me into crack (cocaine). Love, Amador."

Mrs. [REDACTED] did not know what the other suicide note said. Mrs. [REDACTED] did not know who [REDACTED] was and believed Pollerana was a victim of identity theft. Mrs. [REDACTED] believed the suspect who stole Pollerana's identity was named [REDACTED]. Mrs. [REDACTED] characterized Pollerana as not very intelligent, a pot smoker, and has worked doing very menial jobs. Mrs. [REDACTED] thought that it was out of character for Pollerana to point any gun at police officers because he is a very genuine loving type person who would not want to hurt anyone.

On Monday, March 10, 2003, at about 1420 hrs, I called Sgt. Byrd and spoke to her. Sgt. Byrd checked her department's in-house computer for any contacts her department may have had with Pollerana. Sgt. Byrd told me the computer showed no contacts with Pollerana and the computer could only search information for the past three years. Sgt. Byrd said the only private school in San Marino is the Southwestern Academy.

Property/Evidence:

None.

Disposition:

Investigation continuing. To the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department's Homicide Bureau for further investigation and follow-up. Their case number is URN number 003-00028-3199.

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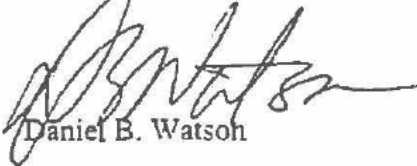
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STATEMENT OF DANIEL B. WATSON, CHIEF OF POLICE, SOUTH PASADENA POLICE DEPARTMENT REGARDING THE CHAIN OF CUSTODY OF THE SUSPECT'S CLOTHING.

On March 8, 2003 at approximately 2230-2300 hours I was at the South Pasadena Police Station after having already been at the scene at Fair Oaks and Holly and the Pasadena Police Department. I saw SPPD Reserve Officer [REDACTED] in the lobby and he asked me to transport the suspect's clothing that he'd retrieved at the hospital to the detectives at the scene. He handed me a plastic bag containing clothing. I did not open the bag. I walked to my office, and placed the bag on my conference table for approximately five minutes. It was never out of my sight while in my office. I then carried the bag out to my police vehicle and locked it in the trunk. I drove back to the crime scene and checked in with the log officer after arriving. I then met LASO personnel and told them I had the clothing. One of them walked with me to my car and I retrieved the bag out of the trunk and handed it to the LASO detective. The bag of clothing never left the trunk of the car from the time I placed it there at the SPPD station until I handed it to the detective.

  
Daniel B. Watson

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Pursuit/Shooting

Starting Point:

N/B Ave 64 from York Blvd

Continuing N/B Ave 64, passing Ruby St

W/B Meridian St from Ave 64, passing Ave 63

N/B Figueroa St from Meridian St

Continuing N/B Figueroa, passing Springvale Dr

Continuing N/B Figueroa, passing Burwood Ave, passing Annan Way

E/B Colorado Blvd from Figueroa

Continuing E/B Colorado, passing Orange Grove Blvd

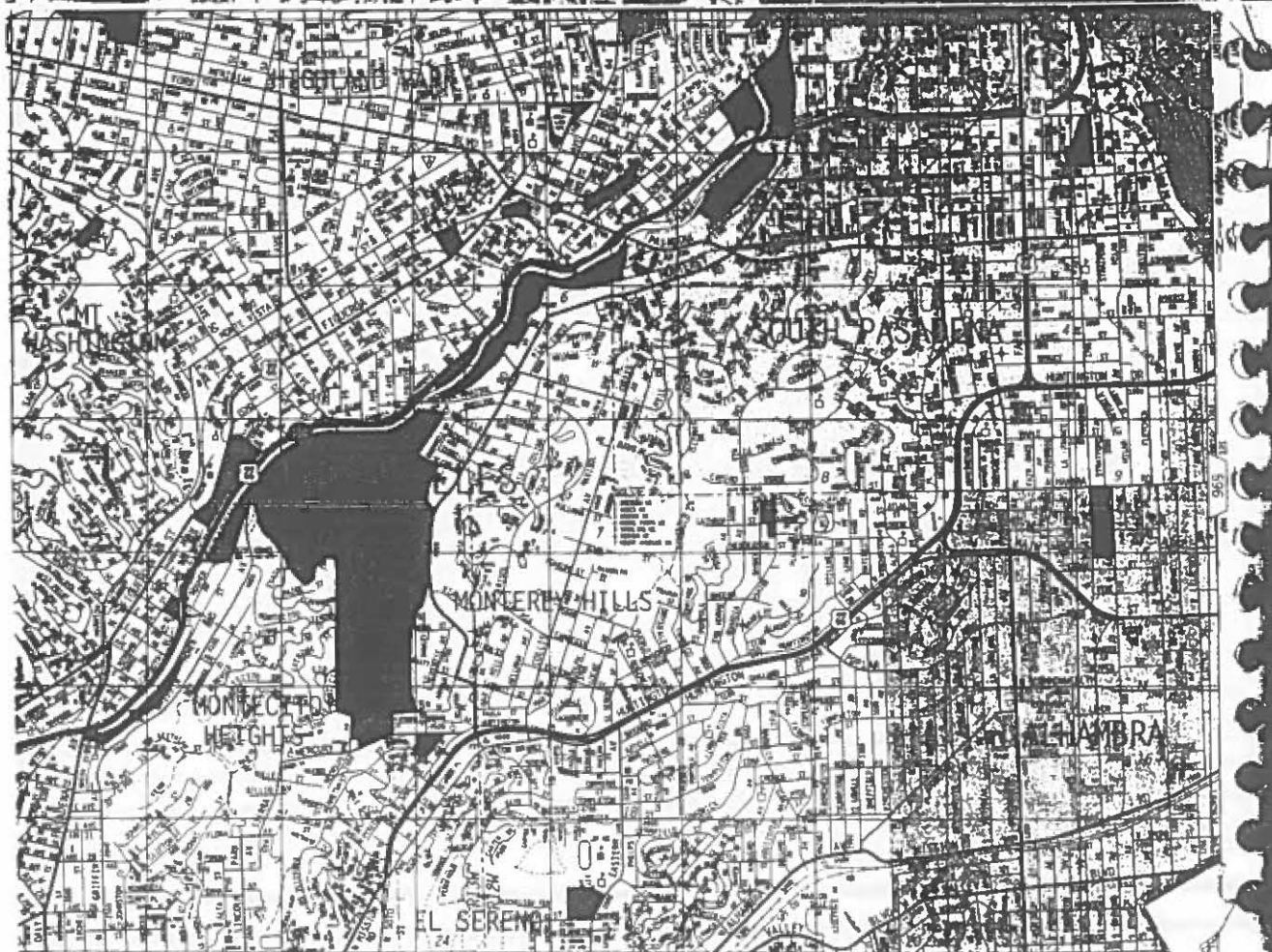
N/B on Delacey Ave from Colorado Blvd

Continuing N/B Delacey Ave into Parking lot E/B

Continuing E/B in parking area to barricade at Holly St

Parking area West of Fair Oaks av at Holly St – End of Pursuit

Shooting Occurred at 19:34:54 hrs



LOG NUMBER

**111****2003**

INVESTIGATING OFFICERS

LT. ROSENBERG

DET. MARTINEZ

DET. LESLIE

TIME OF CALL 2205 HOURS DATE MARCH 8, 2003 DAY SATURDAY  
 CLASSIFICATION OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING REPORTING OFFICER LT. ROSENBERG

TIME OF OCCURRENCE / DISCOVERY 7:30 P.M. UNIT HOMICIDE BUREAU  
 DATE MARCH 8, 2003  
 LOCATION HOLLY STREET AND FAIR OAKS AVENUE, THOMAS GUIDE PAGE  
PASADENA AND SECTION  
565, H-4

C/P LOC \_\_\_\_\_  
 VICTIM(S) \_\_\_\_\_ SUSPECT(S) MALE WHITE ADULT  
 DNR \_\_\_\_\_ DNR \_\_\_\_\_  
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NOTIFY STATION WATCH COMMANDER PRIOR TO RELEASING CODE 20 SGT. INITIAL \_\_\_\_\_

WATCH COMM. NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_ TIME \_\_\_\_\_ HOURS

NARRATIVE: SHERIFF'S HOMICIDE DETECTIVES RESPONDED TO HOLLY STREET AND FAIR OAKS AVENUE,  
PASADENA, TO ASSIST THE SOUTH PASADENA POLICE DEPARTMENT IN THE INVESTIGATION OF AN OFFICER  
INVOLVED SHOOTING. TWO SOUTH PASADENA POLICE OFFICERS OBSERVED A DARK COLORED PICK-UP TRUCK  
BEING DRIVEN ERRATICALLY AT THE INTERSECTION OF PASADENA AVENUE AND MONTEREY ROAD, SOUTH  
PASADENA. THEY ATTEMPTED TO MAKE A TRAFFIC STOP BUT THE SUSPECT FAILED TO YIELD. A PURSUIT  
ENSUED, AND LASTED ABOUT THREE MILES. THE PURSUIT TERMINATED AT HOLLY STREET AND FAIR OAKS  
AVENUE, PASADENA.

THE SUSPECT (A MALE WHITE/50) GOT OUT OF HIS TRUCK ARMED WITH A HANDGUN AND BEGAN  
WALKING BACK TOWARD THE OFFICERS. THEY ORDERED HIM TO DROP THE GUN, BUT HE REFUSED, FORCING  
THEM TO USE DEADLY FORCE. BOTH OFFICERS SHOT AT THE SUSPECT. THE SUSPECT WAS TRANSPORTED TO A  
LOCAL HOSPITAL WHERE HE DIED. NO OFFICERS WERE INJURED.

CITY NEWS \_\_\_\_\_ (485-3535) MEDIA PAGE \_\_\_\_\_ (800-677-4649)

MEDIA INQUIRIES / STAND-UPS

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DPP ROBERTA CRANEK

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# PASADENA POLICE DEPARTMENT

## MAJOR CRIME SCENE

### SIGN IN LOG

Location: HOLLY ST AND FAIR OAKS AVE.

F.S.D. Supervisor in charge: SGT. TORRES 8514

Classification: 187 O.I.S.

Date: 3/8/03

Log Coordinator: REINHOLD THOS / VANDERKAM 8775

Name ID#	Reason	Time In & By	Time Out & By
SGT ALONIZ	SCENE SUPERVISOR	1948 REINHOLD	2048 REINHOLD
BALLARD 0765	SCENE SECURITY	1948 REINHOLD	2217 REINHOLD
ROLDAN 7560	EVIDENCE	1948 REINHOLD	2217 REINHOLD
SGT MERCADO 6611	SCENE SUPERVISOR	1948 REINHOLD	2033 REINHOLD
ALBA 0346	SCENE SECURITY	1948 REINHOLD	2033 REINHOLD
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MIRANDA ID TECH	EVIDENCE	1948 REINHOLD	2048 REINHOLD
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CAMERON 170 S.P.A.	ASST. WATER COMMANDER	1948 REINHOLD	2042 REINHOLD
LUNNARD 170 S.P.A.	SCENE SECURITY	1948 REINHOLD	2042 REINHOLD
LOPEZ 170 S.P.A.	1ST RESPONSE	1948 REINHOLD	2030 REINHOLD
ADAMS 170 S.P.A.	1ST RESPONSE	1948 REINHOLD	2030 REINHOLD
UNION 170 S.P.A.	1ST RESPONSE	1948 REINHOLD	2030 REINHOLD
ROSA 170 S.P.A.	SCENE SECURITY	1948 REINHOLD	2030 REINHOLD
ROSA 170 S.P.A.	SCENE SECURITY	1948 REINHOLD	2030 REINHOLD

# PASADENA POLICE DEPARTMENT

## MAJOR CRIME SCENE

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Location: \_\_\_\_\_

F.S.D. Supervisor in charge: \_\_\_\_\_

Classification: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Log Coordinator: \_\_\_\_\_

Name ID#	Reason	Time In & By	Time Out & By
COLE, SANTI 3220	LIGHTING EQUIP	1948 REINBOLD	2030 REINBOLD
COWAN 1592 FIRE	LIGHTING EQUIP	1948 REINBOLD	2030 REINBOLD
WOODEY 9554 FIRE	LIGHTING EQUIP	1948 REINBOLD	2030 REINBOLD
MARINO 5838 FIRE	LIGHTING EQUIP	1948 REINBOLD	2030 REINBOLD
DEAN, JEFF 10016 FIRE	LIGHTING EQUIP	1948 REINBOLD	2030 REINBOLD
CURRY	TRANSFERRING WITNESSES	1948 REINBOLD	2030 REINBOLD
SHARMA 7800	EVIDENCE SWEEP	1948 REINBOLD	2033 REINBOLD
FLOMEZ 3196	EVIDENCE SWEEP	1948 REINBOLD	2137 REINBOLD
MUNDT, NATHAN 6044	EVIDENCE SWEEP	1948 REINBOLD	2033 REINBOLD
PEREZ	EVIDENCE SWEEP	2010 REINBOLD	2042 REINBOLD
KIRBY 4949	EVIDENCE SWEEP	1948 REINBOLD	2137 REINBOLD
GOUDIKIAN 3200	EVIDENCE SWEEP	2010 REINBOLD	2137 REINBOLD
CHAMIZ	EVIDENCE SWEEP	2010 REINBOLD	2133 REINBOLD
WIDMAYER 10000	EVIDENCE SWEEP	2010 REINBOLD	2123 REINBOLD
DESARUP	EVIDENCE SWEEP	2010 REINBOLD	2042 REINBOLD
SGT PUGH 1148 / VETERAN	SCENE SUPERVISOR	2010 REINBOLD	2047 REINBOLD

# PASADENA POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Name ID#	Reason	Time In & By	Time Out & By
CHIEF WATSON C15 PAS	S. PASADENA SUPERVISOR	2035 REINBOLD	2132 REINBOLD
JENES	HOSPITAL - RELIEVED - PAS	2035 REINBOLD	2221 REINBOLD
LT. PERRINE 7039	SCENE SUPERVISOR	2035 REINBOLD	2233 REINBOLD
CALDERON 2035	TRANSPORTING WITNESS	2035 REINBOLD	2040 REINBOLD
DEL REAL 1920	FAIRDALES TRAFFIC POST UNION	2040 REINBOLD	2042 REINBOLD
LEPPARD 3945	TRAFFIC POST RAYMOND	1948 REINBOLD	2133 REINBOLD
JAMES 0121	TRAFFIC POST HOLLY	1948 REINBOLD	2145 REINBOLD
AMROD 0351	TRAFFIC POST FAIRDALES	1948 REINBOLD	2145 REINBOLD
LASKE 3250	TRAFFIC POST WALNUT	1948 REINBOLD	2145 REINBOLD
WAMPSON 0351	TRAFFIC POST	1948 REINBOLD	2045 REINBOLD
GRACE 3110	TRAFFIC POST	1948 REINBOLD	2045 REINBOLD
M. RONNIE 152 SP	SPAIN DET'S	2045 REINBOLD	2301 REINBOLD
SGT. NKFF 170 C.P.S.	" "	2045 REINBOLD	2301 REINBOLD
MORRISON 0121	TRAFFIC POST HOLLY	1948 REINBOLD	2123 REINBOLD
WHITE	TRAFFIC POST CUCUMBER	1948 REINBOLD	2042 REINBOLD
GILSON	TRAFFIC POST	2042 REINBOLD	2252 REINBOLD



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Name ID#	Reason	Time In & By	Time Out & By
LEWIS 0207	SCENE SECURITY	1748 REINBOLD	2133 REINBOLD
CMOR UYEDA 8870	SUPERVISOR	2016 REINBOLD	2206 REINBOLD
PETERSEN 135 S. PAS	DETECTIVE	2053 REINBOLD	2052 REINBOLD
CPI. 109 KOWALTSCHUK S. PAS	S. PASADENA SUPERVISOR	2056 REINBOLD	2251 REINBOLD
LASD HOMICIDE DAN ROSENBERG	INVESTIGATION	2056 REINBOLD	0008 REINBOLD
VANDERBILT 8915	WITNESS SECURITY STN.	2101 REINBOLD	2319 REINBOLD
DOUGADO 1900	PASADENA DETECTIVE	2113 REINBOLD	2252 REINBOLD
JOE VOLAZ # 04885	LASD HOMICIDE	2122 REINBOLD	2315 REINBOLD
WIDENER	WITNESS SECURITY	2123 REINBOLD	2349 REINBOLD
JON THORNE # 225754	LASD HOMICIDE INVESTIGATION	2125 REINBOLD	2330 REINBOLD
MARK LILLIENFELD 195921	LASD HOMICIDE INVESTIGATION	2126 REINBOLD	0002 REINBOLD
MERRADO 9610	TRAFFIC P.O.	2127 REINBOLD	0002 REINBOLD
LESLIE 222355	HOMICIDE LASD	2129 REINBOLD	0007 REINBOLD
DEUS 1855	INVESTIGATION	2129 REINBOLD	2154 REINBOLD
HERBERG	SCENE SECURITY	2134 REINBOLD	2302 REINBOLD
MUDRANO	FAIR SCENE SECURITY OAKS	2137 REINBOLD	0002 REINBOLD

# PASADENA POLICE DEPARTMENT

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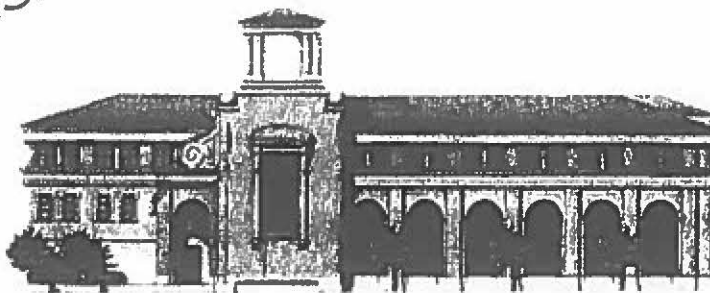
Log Coordinator: \_\_\_\_\_

Name ID#	Reason	Time In & By	Time Out & By
MARTINEZ, PHILIP	I/O HANDLE	2143 REINBOLD	0042 REINBOLD
KATZ, STEVEN	LASD HOMICIDE	2145 REINBOLD	0042 REINBOLD
CORTZ, MARIC	LASD / CRIME LAB	2153 REINBOLD	0028 REINBOLD
SGT. PAYNE 110 SPAS	S. PASADENA LAB	2203 REINBOLD	2314 REINBOLD
DALE HIGASHI	LASD CRIME LAB	2204 REINBOLD	0028 REINBOLD
MARK ASHEN 204199	DA'S OFFICE	2214 REINBOLD	2352 REINBOLD
MALDANADO 136	DA'S OFFICE	2214 REINBOLD	2250 REINBOLD
BELTRAN 273488	DA'S OFFICE	2214 REINBOLD	2250 REINBOLD
CHIEF WATSON C1	S. PASADENA CHIEF	2220 REINBOLD	0022 REINBOLD
MARTIN MUNE	LASD CRIME LAB	2130 REINBOLD	0028 REINBOLD
MARISOLA ROWLES	LASD	2234 REINBOLD	0028 REINBOLD
DEVIN	DETECTIVE	2244 REINBOLD	2252 REINBOLD
PETERSEN 135	S PASADENA	2259 REINBOLD	2318 REINBOLD
VANDERKAM 135	SCENE SECTION	2319 REINBOLD	0042 REINBOLD
KOWALTSCHUK 139	SUPERVISOR	2325 REINBOLD	0028 REINBOLD
MILLER 13	S. PASADENA SEC	0012 REINBOLD	0042 REINBOLD



BERNARD K. MELEKIAN  
CHIEF OF POLICE

# PASADENA POLICE DEPARTMENT



207 N. GARFIELD AVENUE  
PASADENA, CA 91101

March 13, 2003

Tom Delgado, Sergeant  
Detective Section

Attention: Jason Clawson, Corporal

Reference Case: #03013171-Fair Oaks/Holly-South Pasadena Office Involved  
Shooting

Attached are the written records requested from the Pasadena Police Department's  
Communication Center.

I hereby certify that the documents consisting of five pages of Incident History and one  
cassette tape, to which are affixed, are true copies of the original master tape on file with  
the Pasadena Police Department's Communication Center. .

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Lorna G. Blaine".

Lorna G. Blaine  
Communications Supervisor  
Pasadena Police Department

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SOUTH PASADENA  
POLICE DEPARTMENT  
Supplement Report

ORIGINAL

Case Nbr: 030609

Date 03/19/2003 14:44

Officer VENCILL

Approved

Crime 2800.2 V.C. Evade / Reckless Driving

## Supplement Narrative

On 03-13-03 at about 1300 hours, Detective Ronnie # 152 told me to contact Detective Phillip Martinez ( Los Angeles Sheriff's Department 323-890-5500) regarding DR # 03-0609. I contacted Martinez (Pager # 323-502-0478) through his pager and Martinez returned my call shortly after. Martinez asked if he could interview me regarding South Pasadena case number 03-0609, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department case number 003-00028-3199. I told Martinez that would not be a problem and Martinez said he would meet me at the South Pasadena Police Station shortly.

At about 1430 hours, Detective Martinez and Detective Leslie arrived at the South Pasadena Police Station and they interviewed me in the City Council Chambers. Martinez and Leslie asked me several questions regarding the case because they needed further clarification in some areas. I answered all of their questions to the best of my knowledge and recollection.

Martinez asked if it would be possible for us to view the in car camera videotape that was taken from Officer Lucero's vehicle and I said, "Yes". Martinez said he wanted to see the videotape again to verify that the clothing I took for evidence matched the clothing worn by the suspect.

I took Martinez and Leslie to the police department briefing room and played the videotape. After watching the videotape for several minutes, it was apparent that the clothing the suspect was wearing matched the clothing I recovered at the Huntington Memorial Hospital. Martinez said that this was also the same clothing he had placed in sheriff's evidence.

Martinez asked me to write a supplemental report on how I obtained the clothing and who I gave the clothing too. I told Martinez that I would contact him when the report was finished and approved.

On 03-08-03 at about 1730 hours, I responded to Fair Oaks Avenue and Holly Street in the City of Pasadena regarding an officer involved shooting. Arriving minutes later, I saw a male white subject lying on the ground next to a black mini truck being attended to by several Pasadena Fire Department Paramedics. After several minutes the paramedics placed the suspect into Rescue Ambulance # 737 and transported him to Hunting Memorial Hospital. I also went to Huntington Memorial hospital in Rescue Ambulance #737. The paramedics that were attending to the suspect were, Paramedic's Tom Hart, Jim Todd, Robert Johnson and Gardner.

Arriving minutes later at Huntington Memorial Hospital the suspect was taken into the emergency room where he was attended to by Dr. Magdi Alexander (Trauma Surgeon) and his team.

While in the emergency room one of the medical personal (Unknown female) removed the suspect shoes, socks and pants and placed them on the floor at the foot of the table. At that time a possible gunshot wound was seen on the suspect right foot near the big toe area.

As the medical staff continued working on the suspect I placed his clothing into a large clear plastic bag that had white handles. The items I placed in the bag consisted of a black pair of shoes, a pair of long white socks and a black or dark blue pair of pants.

As I was placing the items into the bag I noticed that the right shoe had a small hole in the front part of the sole near the big toe. I also noticed that one of the white socks had a small amount of blood on it. I placed what I believed to be the sock that came off of the suspect's right foot in the right shoe. I did the same with the left sock placing it in the left shoe.

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SOUTH PASADENA  
POLICE DEPARTMENT  
Supplement Report

Date 03/19/2003 14:44

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Officer VENCILL [REDACTED]

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A short time later, one of the medical personal (Unknown male) approached me and showed me a pair of glasses. He told me that theses glasses were the patients (suspects). I placed the glasses in the plastic bag. The frames of the glasses were light brown and they appeared to be prescription.

The suspect was then taken to the second or third floor for surgery. I accompanied the doctor and medical staff to the surgery room where they continued to work on the suspect. At about 2030 hours, Doctor Magdi pronounced the suspect dead.

At about 2045 hours, Reserve Lieutenant [REDACTED] met me outside of the surgery room. I asked Conant if he could take the suspects clothing a place it into evidence at the police station. Conant took the plastic bag with all of the suspect's belongings and left the hospital.

At about 0200 hours, at he South Pasadena Police Department, I was informed that Conant had given the suspects clothing to Chief Daniel Watson. The clothing was then given to the Sheriff's Department personnel.

Property/ Evidence: One pair of black shoes, one pair of white socks, one pair of black or dark blue pants and one pair of glasses.

Disposition: Supplemental report to be added to Los Angeles Sheriff's Department report # 003-00028-3199.

REPORTING OFFICER / NO.  
VENCILL

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DATE AND TIME  
03/19/2003 14:44

REVIEWED BY  
Sgt. [REDACTED]

DATE AND TIME  
3-20-03

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SOUTH PASADENA  
POLICE DEPARTMENT  
Supplement Report

Date 03/24/2003 11:43  
Officer RONNIE 152  
Crime 2800.2 V.C. Evade / Reckless Driving

Approved

Case Nbr: 030609

**ORIGINAL**

Supplement Narrative

[REDACTED]  
Assignment: Detective in Charge of the  
Mental Health Unit  
Los Angeles Police Department  
Northeast Division  
3353 San Fernando Road  
Los Angeles, Calif. 90065  
(213) 485-4188

Glendale Adventist Medical Center  
1509 Wilson Terrace  
Glendale, Calif. 91206  
(818) 409-8000 Office

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] (October 24, 1953)  
4917 Meridian Street  
Los Angeles, Calif. 90042  
(323) 255-5977 Residence

[REDACTED]  
Occupation: Grocery Checker

[REDACTED]  
Albertson's  
4211 Eagle Rock Blvd  
Los Angeles, Calif. 90065  
(323) 255-9993 Office

On Tuesday, March 11, 2003, at about 1230 hrs, Amador Pollerana's 1988 Toyota pickup truck, California license 3M22664, was released to his brother, Roland R. Pollerana (August 24, 1951). This was with the approval of Administrative Captain Kowaltschuk, serial number 109.

On Wednesday, March 12, 2003 at about 1600 hrs, I called [REDACTED] Pollerana's girlfriend, for further information regarding Pollerana's attempt suicide in February. Ms. [REDACTED] said she was almost positive that Pollerana's attempt was on Wednesday, February 26, 2003 at around 1645 hrs. Ms. [REDACTED] did not know the L.A.P.D. officer's names that responded to her residence.

At about 1700 hrs, I called Det. [REDACTED] regarding this attempt suicide of Pollerana in February of 2003. Det. [REDACTED] told me she would find out who the officers were that handled the suicide attempt by Pollerana.

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SOUTH PASADENA  
POLICE DEPARTMENT  
Supplement Report

Date 03/24/2003 11:43  
Officer RONNIE 152  
Crime 2800 2 V.C. Evade / Reckless Driving

Approved

Case Nbr: 030609

On Thursday, March 13, 2003, at about 0730 hrs, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] called me and told me she found the business card that the L.A.P.D. officers left at her residence when Pollerana attempted to take his life. Mrs. [REDACTED] told me the officer's names were Officer [REDACTED], serial number [REDACTED] and Officer [REDACTED], [REDACTED] number [REDACTED]. Mrs. [REDACTED] told me the officers were at her residence on Wednesday, February 26, 2003 at around 1615 hrs. Mrs. [REDACTED] said the officers were not present when L.A. City Paramedics took Pollerana to Glendale Adventist Medical Center, in Glendale California. Mrs. [REDACTED] told me there was no case number on the business card that the officers left her.

Mrs. [REDACTED] asked me how Officer Abdalla and Lucero were doing emotionally. Mrs. [REDACTED] told me that her family was very concerned about them and went on to say, "They did the right thing. If someone has a gun you're going to shoot." I thanked Mrs. [REDACTED] for her concern and told her we were sympathetic to what her family was going through.

Property/Evidence:

None.

Disposition:

Investigation continuing. To the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department's Homicide Bureau. Their case number is URN number 003-00028-3199.

REPORTING OFFICER, ID NO. RONNIE 152	DATE AND TIME 03/21/2003 11:43	REVIEWED BY Sgt. RH	DATE AND TIME 3/24/03
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STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL  
VEHICLE REPORT  
HP 180 (Rev. 2-99) OPI 061

NOTE: CHP 180 IS FURNISHED TO ALL PEACE OFFICERS BY THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL

*\* HOLD FOR EVIDENCE \**

REPORTING DEPARTMENT <b>SOUTH PASADENA PD</b>	LOCATION CODE <b>1970</b>	DATE / TIME OF REPORT <b>030803/1100</b>	NOTICE OF STORED VEHICLE DELIVERED PERSONALLY <input type="checkbox"/>	FILE NO. <b>03-0609</b>
VEHICLE TOWED / STOLEN FROM <b>12 OAKS / HOLLY, PASADENA</b>		ODOMETER READING <b>104629</b>	VIN CLEAR IN SVS? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO LIC. CLEAR IN SVS? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	DATE / TIME DISPATCH NOTIFIED <b>030803/1930</b>
LOG NO. <b>3370</b>	MAKE <b>TOYT</b>	MODEL <b>TK</b>	BODY TYPE <b>TK</b>	COLOR <b>BLK</b>
YEAR <b>8</b>	LICENSE NO. <b>3M22664</b>	ONE <input type="checkbox"/> TWO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MONTH / YEAR <b>02/04</b>	STATE <b>CA</b>
VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NO. <b>1T4RN51R1J51135657</b>		ENGINE NO.		VALUATION BY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OFFICER <input type="checkbox"/> OWNER
		<input type="checkbox"/> 0-300 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 301-4000 <input type="checkbox"/> 4001+ <input type="checkbox"/> \$		

REGISTERED OWNER

☒ SAME AS R/O

LEGAL OWNER

**AMADOR C. POLLEKANA**

☐ STORED ☒ IMPOUNDED ☐ RELEASED ☐ RECOVERED - VEHICLE / COMPONENT

STORAGE CONCERN (NAME, ADDRESS, PHONE) **HENRY'S TOW 1100 WESTMINSTER, ALHAMBRA** STORAGE AUTHORITY / REASON **CVL 22655.5**

VEHICLE TO / STORED AT **26-281-3577** AIRBAG? ☐ YES ☒ NO ☐ 1 ☐ 2 DRIVEABLE? ☒ YES ☐ NO ☐ JUNK ☐ UNK VIN SWITCHED? ☐ YES ☒ NO

CONDITION	YES	NO	ITEMS	YES	NO	ITEMS	YES	NO	ITEMS	YES	NO	TIRES / WHEELS	CONDITION
CHECKED		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	SEAT (FRONT)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		REGISTRATION	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		CAMPER		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	LEFT FRONT	<b>FAIR</b>
NEED HULK per 431(c) VC		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	SEAT (REAR)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ALT / GENERATOR	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		VESSEL AS LOAD		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	RIGHT FRONT	
DALIZED		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	RADIO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		BATTERY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		FIREARMS		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	LEFT REAR	
/TRANS. STRIP		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TAPE DECK		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	DIFFERENTIAL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		OTHER		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	RIGHT REAR	<b>UNK</b>
2. PARTS STRIP		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TAPES		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TRANSMISSION	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>					SPARE	<b>UNK</b>
Y METAL STRIP		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	OTHER RADIO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		AUTOMATIC		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				HUB CAPS	<b>NONE</b>
SICAL STRIP per 431(b) VC		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	IGNITION KEY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		MANUAL		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				SPECIAL WHEELS	<b>FAIR</b>

BASE VEHICLE TO: ☐ R/O OR AGENT ☐ AGENCY HOLD ☐ 22850.3 VC GARAGE PRINCIPAL / AGENT STORING VEHICLE (SIGNATURE) DATE / TIME

NAME OF PERSON / AGENCY AUTHORIZING RELEASE I.D. NO. DATE CERTIFICATION. I, THE UNDERSIGNED, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I AM LEGALLY AUTHORIZED AND ENTITLED TO TAKE POSSESSION OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED VEHICLE

SIGNATURE OF PERSON AUTHORIZING RELEASE SIGNATURE OF PERSON TAKING POSSESSION

☐ STOLEN VEHICLE / COMPONENT ☐ EMBEZZLED VEHICLE ☐ PLATE(S) REPORT

DATE / TIME OF OCCURRENCE	DATE / TIME REPORTED	NAME OF REPORTING PARTY (R/P)	DRIVER LICENSE NO. / STATE
DRIVER OF VEHICLE	DATE / TIME	ADDRESS OF R/P	TELEPHONE OF R/P ( )

CERTIFY OR DECLARE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY UNDER THE LAWS OF STATE OF CALIFORNIA THAT THE FOREGOING IS TRUE AND CORRECT. SIGNATURE OF PERSON MAKING REPORT

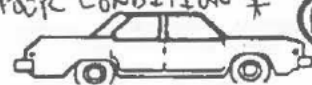
REMARKS  
(LIST PROPERTY, TOOLS, VEHICLE DAMAGE, ARRESTS)

REPORTER'S NAME <b>AMADOR POLLEKANA</b>	ARRESTED / SECTION? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	REPORTED BY	CARGO / TYPE? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	VALUE \$ <input type="checkbox"/> BILL OF LADING ATTACHED
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*\* SEE REPORT FOR DETAILS \**

CONTENTS: 1-PR JUMPER CABLES, RAGS. 1- "CLUB, 2-SHORT LENGTHS OF ROPE, 1- CAR JACK, GRAY SWEATSHIRT, 1-BBL CAP, 1-BRO. GLASSES CASE, 5-BOTTLES OF WATER - OPEN BOX OF TRASH CAN LINERS, 3-BANANAS - GLOVEBOX: 1-SONY CD STEREO KEARNS, REGISTRATION, OWNERS MANUAL, MISC. PARTS. BED: EMPTY

*\* BODY IN POOR CONDITION \**



SOUTH PASADENA POLICE DEPARTMENT 1970  
CVC 2800.2 FELONY EVADING  
MARCH 08, 2003 // DR # 03-0609

SUSPECT

CAL-PHOTO Department Of Motor Vehicles Image

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CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES IMAGE

AMADOR [REDACTED] POLLERANA

N4600747

EXPIRES: 03/14/2004 CLASS: F

SEX: M

HAIR: RED

EYES: GRN

HEIGHT: 506

WEIGHT: 180

DATE OF BIRTH: 03/14/1958

ADDRESS: [REDACTED] ST, LOS ANGELES, CA 90042

PHOTO DATE: 10/19/2000 PHOTO OFFICE: 510 APPLICATION DATE: 10/19/2000 APPLICATION OFFICE: 510

ISSUE DATE: N/A

ISSUE OFFICE: N/ RESTRICTIONS: 0



SIGNATURE:

*Amador Pollerana* (64)

FINGERPRINT:



















Los Angeles Police Department  
INJURY INVESTIGATION

VICTIM'S NAME (Last-First-Middle) POLLERANA, AMADOR C.					DR 03-11-08795	
DESCRIPTION OF VICTIM	SEX M	DESCENT W	AGE 44	HEIGHT 506	LOCATION OF OCCURRENCE	RPT. DIST. TYPE (ALL, SMC, DR) 1125 ATT SUIC
WEIGHT 18	HAIR RED	EYES GRN	BUILD MED	COMPLEXION LGHT	DATE AND TIME OCCURRED 2-26-03 1600	DATE AND TIME REPORTED TO P.D. 2-26-03 1745
IDENTIFYING MARKS AND CHARACTERISTICS: CLOTHING, JEWELRY WORN. WHT HOSP GOWN					TYPE OF PREMISES (Loc. of victim) SINGLE FAMILY	
					REASON (Acc., Ill health, etc.) [REDACTED]	
					EXTEN. [REDACTED] OF [REDACTED]	
					REMOVED TO (Address) 1509 WILSON TR	
					INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION(S) OR UNIT(S) NOTIFIED AND PERSON(S) CONTACTED LAFD	
					MEV - SNAER #3 [REDACTED]	
CODE: R-PERSON REPORTING D-PERSON DISCOV. W-WITNESS						
VICTIM'S OCCUPATION UNK		[REDACTED]		CITY		RES. PHONE
[REDACTED]		[REDACTED]		[REDACTED]		X BUS. PHONE

R/D - [REDACTED] STATED THAT ON 02-26-03 AT APPROX 1600 HRS, SHE FOUND THE VICT OUTSIDE OF HIS RESIDENCE ON THE STREET BETWEEN TWO PARKED VEHs ON HIS SIDE AND UNCONSCIOUS. R/D - [REDACTED] ATT. TO AWAKE HIM, VICT WAS UNRESPONSIVE. R/D [REDACTED] THEN NOTIFIED FD WHO TRANS VICT TO GLENDALE ADVENTIST HOSP. PRIOR TO TRANS, FD AND R/D - [REDACTED] NOTICED A BOTTLE OF HENESSY ALMOST ENTIRELY EMPTY IN ADDITION, AN EMPTY BOX OF SLEEPING PILLS (SLEEPINAL 32 CAP.) WAS FOUND ALONG WITH A SUICIDE NOTE INSIDE THE RESIDENCE. THE NOTE WAS LEFT FOR MS. [REDACTED] (LIVE-IN GIRLFRIEND). SEE ATTACHED PAGES. VICT ATTEMPTED SUICIDE POSS DUE TO DEBTS AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE.

OFFERS ALSO RESPONDED TO [REDACTED] TR (GLENDALE ADVENTIST HOSP) WHERE THE RADIO CALL WAS GENERATED AT 1745 HRS. VICT WAS ATTENDED BY [REDACTED] VICT WAS, IN SERIOUS CONDITION. VICT WAS UNCONSCIOUS AND REQUIRED A RESPIRATOR TO ASSIST HIM BREATHING. MEV NOTIFIED

3052004198

ADDITIONAL SPACE IS REQUIRED, USE REVERSE SIDE.		INTERVIEWING OFFICER(S) - SER. NO. - DIV. - DET.		PERSON REPORTING INJURY (Signature)	
SUPERVISOR-APPROVING [Signature]	SERIAL NO. 23565	LUONG, K 34933 NOE		X [REDACTED]	
DATE & TIME REPRODUCED - DIVISION - CLERK 2/27/03 11:00		WILLIAMS, P 24569 11A51			

CS 150 (R.3/85)

# 3057004198  
Mar 12 2003 13:11 P.02

INJURY INVESTIGATION

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Fax: 213-847-0669

NORTHEAST AREA



(2)  
I'M SORRY

[REDACTED]

I LOVE YOU

PLEASE FORGIVE

ME MY PAST

HAS FINALLY CAUGHT  
UP WITH ME.

[REDACTED]

GOT ME HOOK ON CRACK COCAINE  
AND THEN CALLED ME AT MY JOB AND ASKED  
ME WHAT'S MY SOC (73)

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USED MY NAME AMADOR POLICIANA MY SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER [REDACTED] I OPEN SEVERAL CREDIT CARD ACCOUNTS IN MY NAME AMADOR POLICIANA. HE LATER OPENED A DISCOVER CARD ACCOUNT AND MADE PAYMENTS BY MONEY ORDER SO NO ONE WOULD KNOW HE WAS PAYING ON IT. HE THEN RAN UP THE CARD TO 11,500 DOLLARS AND STOPPED PAYING. SOMEONE CALLED ME AT MY JOB AND SAID I OWE 11,500 DOLLARS AND I SAID I DID NOT OPEN A DISCOVER CARD ACCOUNT. [REDACTED] DOES NOT REVEAL MY CREDIT AND DESTROYED MY LIFE. HE ALSO DOESN'T WORK HE SELLS CRACK COCAINE AND MARIJUANA. HE DOESN'T PAY TAXES WITH THE IRS. HE PAYS HIS RENT WITH DRUG MONEY AND HIS MONEY IN THE BANK IS FROM DRUG MONEY. HE ALSO STAYS ON MITCHELL ST. IN PASADENA OFF OF MADRE ST. WITH HIS GIRLFRIEND [REDACTED] A BOY AND GIRL HIS GIRLFRIEND KNOWS HE SELLS DRUGS BUT SHE DOESN'T CARE BECAUSE HE HELPS PAY THE RENT AND THE BILLS. [REDACTED] HIDES HIS DRUGS AND MONEY DOWN STAIRS IN THE BOYD ROOM WHERE YOU WASH CLOTHES BEHIND A LITTLE WOODEN DOOR WITH A LITTLE ROUND KEY HOLE TO IT [REDACTED] FROM HIS APARTMENT 4 IN THE LAUNDRY ROOM WHERE YOU WASH CLOTHES BEHIND A LITTLE WOODEN DOOR WITH A LITTLE KEY HOLE TO IT.

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BIG 5 SPORTING GOODS - #47  
126 S. Central Ave.  
Glendale, CA 91204  
818-246-1100

93881	1	7500	47	003
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2002962	MARKSMAN PISTOL			
	22.99	1		22.99
Subtotal				22.99
Sales Tax 8.2500%				1.90
TOTAL				\$24.89
Cash				25.00
CHANGE =====>				0.11

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Date: 3/08/2003

Store: 00047

Register: 002

Transaction: 6,678

309997	CRSMN 250 PELLE	3.99	1	3.99 T
2002962	MARKSMAN PISTOL	22.99	1	22.99 T
Subtotal			26.98	
Sales Tax 8.2500%		2.23		
Total			\$29.21	
Cash			40.00	
Change			10.79	
Cashier: PATRICIA		Cashier #: 94919		
Tx 6678 Store 047 Reg 02				
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Date: 3/08/2003

Store: 00047

Register: 003

Transaction: 7,509

2002962	MARKSMAN PISTOL	22.99	1	22.99	T
2266179	DAISY 400 BB LO	3.99	1	3.99	T
151050	CRSMN 1500 GIAN	3.99	1	3.99	T
1869510	DIET COKE	1.19	1	1.19	T
2566271	GATORADE CASCAD	1.59	1	1.59	N

Subtotal 33.75

Sales Tax 8.2500% 2.65

Total \$36.40

Cash 40.40

Change 4.00

Cashier: [REDACTED] Cashier #: 93881

Tx 7509 Store 047 Reg 03

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Date: 3/08/2003

Store: 00047

Register: 003

Transaction: 7,500

2002962 MARKSMAN PISTOL 22.99 1 22.99 T  
Subtotal 22.99  
Sales Tax 8.2500% 1.90  
Total \$24.89  
Cash 25.00  
Change 0.11  
Cashier: [REDACTED] Cashier #: 93881  
Tx 7500 Store 047 Reg 3  
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Employee	Mon 03/03	Tue 03/04	Wed 03/05	Thu 03/06	Fri 03/07	Sat 03/08	Sun 03/09	Hours
A-1, BERNHDEZ, ARMANDO	900a- 630p	800a- 530p			1230p-1000p	100p-1030p	900a- 630p	45.00
A-2, CAMERON, JUSTIN	1230p-1000p	1230p-1000p	900a- 630p	800a- 530p		800a- 530p		45.00
A-3, ESTRADA, MIGUEL	1100a- 830p	1030a- 800p	1230p-1000p	1230p-1000p	800a- 530p			45.00
A-4, TEJEDA, JOSE		500a- 230p		500a- 230p	900a- 630p	1100a- 830p	1030a- 800p	45.00
A-5, ESKIDJIAN, HAIG								0.00
A-99, -----								0.00
B-1, SORIANO, ANDREA		800a- 430p	945a- 615p	800a- 430p	945a- 615p	130p-1000p		40.00
B-99, -----								0.00
C-1, PEGUDO, SHERANY	500p-1000p					845a- 400p	945a- 230p	16.50
C-2, KESHISH, LINDA		945a- 500p			400p-1000p	845a- 200p	400p- 800p	22.00
C-3, MUNDO, PATRICIA	945a- 515p		500p-1000p			400p-1000p	230p- 800p	23.50
C-4, ZIAIEMATIN, BALEH				945a- 500p	600p-1000p		945a- 400p	16.50
C-5, YCAZA, LAURA		500p-1000p		500p-1000p				10.00
C-99, -----								0.00
D-1, KING, NICHOLAS		800a- 430p	130p-1000p	130p-1000p	1000a- 630p		900a- 530p	40.00
D-2, BENANDER, CHRIS	130p-1000p	500a- 130p		800a- 430p	130p-1000p	800a- 430p		40.00
D-4, QUEMADA, JESSE	1000a- 630p	130p-1000p		500a- 130p	1230p- 900p	130p-1000p		40.00
D-5, GONZALEZ, CLEO		130p-1000p	1000a- 630p	1000a- 630p		130p-1000p	1130a- 800p	40.00
D-99, -----								0.00
E-1, ORTON, ROBERT	630p-1000p	800a- 130p	900a- 130p	800a- 130p	800a- 130p			24.50
E-2, ESCOBEDO, FRED	900a- 130p	500a- 100p			630p-1000p		1200p- 800p	23.00
E-3, AKOPYAN, ZARE								0.00
E-4, LESSA, BRANDON			600a-1000p			900a- 130p		20.00



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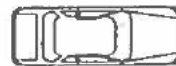
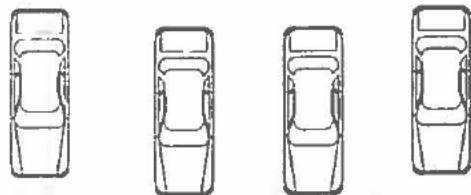
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E-8, SOTOMAYOR, JAMES					0.00			
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E-9, BASHIN, KEVIN	630p-1000p	500p-1000p	430p-1000p	430p-1000p	1130a- 800p	27.50		
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E-91, PEREZ, JASON			530p-1000p	330p- 800p	9.00			
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E-92, FERMAN, CARLOS					0.00			
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Grand Totals:	66.50	105.25	72.00	94.25	86.00	94.50	87.50	606.00

Number of Records : 29

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**PARKING LOT**



SIDEWALK

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SIDEWALK

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HOLLY & FAIROAK  
PASADENA  
03-08-03  
KATZ AND LILLIENFELD  
CRIME LAB: MUTUC



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SIDEWALK

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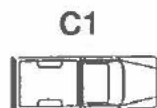
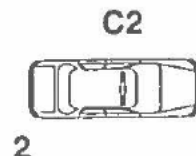
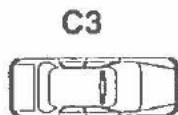
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**HOLLY ST.**

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SIDEWALK

**BUILDING**



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TRAFFIC STANCHION POST

**FAIROAK**

File # 003-00028-3199-014

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Location HOLLY AND FAIROAKS, PASADENADate: 03-08-03By: F.I.S. II MUTUC**EVIDENCE LIST**

ITEM #	DESCRIPTION	MEASUREMENTS TAKEN FROM	
		NORTH OF SOUTH CURB OF HOLLY STREET	WEST OF WEST CURB OF FAIROAKS AVEUNE

1	CASING	15.4	79.1
2	CASING	19.1	87.5
3	CASING	31.3	92.0
4	GUN	23.0	41.1
C1	3M22664 BLACK TRUCK TOYOTA	26. 2 PASSENGER BACK BUMPER	43. 0 PASSENGER FRONT BUMPER
C2	1146239 B/W POLICE CAR	24.3 PASSENGER BACK BUMPER	55.0 PASSENGER FRONT BUMPER
C3	169089 B/W POLICE CAR	35.10PASSENGER BACK BUMPER	78.10 PASSENGER FRONT BUMPER
8			
9			
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1			
2			
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4			
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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES - SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT  
SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT

Date: March 8, 2003

File No: 003-00028-3199-013

C: South Pasadena P.D. O.I.S.

Coroner's No: N/A

Investigator:

Action Taken Active-Additional Information

V #1: Officer A. Abdalla

#2: Officer A. Lucero

/X/ Photographs Taken

/X/ Sketch

S:

/X/ Video Taken

Location #1 Fair Oaks Avenue / Holly Street, Pasadena

Vehicle description: Toyota pick-up, 2-door, black, CA license # 3M22664

On March 8, 2003 at 2145 hours, I arrived at location #1 and contacted Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Homicide Detective(s), M. Lillienfeld #195921 and S. Katz #223233. Upon request, I conducted a technical investigation as follows:

EV-1 expended casing

EV-2 expended casing

EV-3 expended casing

EV-4 handgun, black (air gun)

I took color photos of the crime scene and marked evidence.

Forensic Identification Specialist (FIS) Martin Mutuc #258425 video taped the scene and completed a sketch of the scene.

Firearms Examiner Dale Higashi #248131 conducted the firearms investigation at the scene. He collected EV-1 thru 4 (see his supplemental report).

I transported all exposed film to the Sheriff's Crime Lab for further processing.

By:

 4 21-03  
Deputy Mario Cortez #263506

Crime Scene Investigation

Scientific Services Bureau



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Approved: Sergeant Larry Mitchell #064207  
Crime Scene Investigation  
Scientific Services Bureau *LM*

Assigned: Homicide Bureau



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SCIENTIFIC SERVICES BUREAU  
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AGENCY / INVESTIGATOR Homicide Bureau - Dets. Leslie and Martinez	FILE NUMBER 003-00028-3199-013
SUSPECT Not Listed	VICTIM Abdallah/Lucero
DATE SUBMITTED March 10, 2003	CRIME CLASSIFICATION Officer Involved Shooting

**FIELD INVESTIGATION**

On March 9, 2003 at the request of Detectives Leslie and Martinez of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Homicide Bureau I responded to Holly and Fair Oaks in the city of Pasadena. An area of the brick front at 88 Fair Oaks and an area on the sidewalk in front of 82 Fair Oaks were chemically processed for the presence of gunshot residues and none were detected.

The following evidence was collected and submitted for analysis under laboratory receipt number **J322982**.

Items #1-3 - Three expended 40 S&W caliber cartridge cases from Holly Street.

The following evidence was collected and submitted for analysis under laboratory receipt number **J322981**.

Item #4 - One Marksman Repeater BB gun.

SIGNATURE <i>Dale Higashi</i>		94	REPORT DATE 3-10-03
FIREARMS EXAMINER / EMPLOYEE NUMBER Dale Higashi/248131			

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SCIENTIFIC SERVICES BUREAU  
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AGENCY / INVESTIGATOR Homicide Bureau - Dets. Leslie and Martinez	FILE NUMBER 003-00028-3199-013
SUSPECT Not Listed	VICTIM Abdallah/Lucero
DATE SUBMITTED March 10, 2003	CRIME CLASSIFICATION Officer Involved Shooting

**EVIDENCE**

The following evidence was submitted for examination under laboratory receipt number J322979.

Item A - One Glock 22, 40 S&W caliber semiautomatic pistol, serial number YU 091 US, magazine and thirteen rounds of 40 S&W caliber ammunition.

Item B - One Glock 22, 40 S&W caliber semiautomatic pistol, serial number ACH 297 US, magazine and thirteen rounds of 40 S&W caliber ammunition.

Test fired exemplars were retained under laboratory receipt number J322980.

**OPINION**

The two Glock pistols were examined, test fired and found to be functional.

SIGNATURE <i>Dale Higashi</i>		<b>95</b>	REPORT DATE 3-12-03
FIREARMS EXAMINER / EMPLOYEE NUMBER Dale Higashi/248131			

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AGENCY / INVESTIGATOR

Homicide Bureau - Dets. Leslie and Martinez

FILE NUMBER

003-00028-3199-013

F I R E A R M   D E S C R I P T I O N			
Item Number           A	Make, Model, Type		Glock, 22, safe action pistol
	Serial Number		YU 091US
	G R C	Caliber	40 S&W
		Number of Lands and Grooves	6
		Twist	R
	S/A Trigger Pull (lbs.)		5 1/4
	D/A Trigger Pull (lbs.)		N/A
	Cartridge Capacity		15+1
	Barrel Length (inches)		4 3/8
	Finish		Matte Black
	Bore Residues Present		Yes

F I R E A R M   D E S C R I P T I O N			
Item Number           B	Make, Model, Type		Glock, 22, safe action pistol
	Serial Number		ACH 297 US
	G R C	Caliber	40 S&W
		Number of Lands and Grooves	6
		Twist	R
	S/A Trigger Pull (lbs.)		6 1/4
	D/A Trigger Pull (lbs.)		N/A
	Cartridge Capacity		15+1
	Barrel Length (inches)		4 3/8
	Finish		Matte Black
	Bore Residues Present		Yes

SIGNATURE

*Dale Higashi*

FIREARMS EXAMINER / EMPLOYEE NUMBER

Dale Higashi/248131

REPORT DATE

3-12-03

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AGENCY / INVESTIGATOR Homicide Bureau - Det. Leslie	FILE NUMBER 003-00028-3199-013
SUSPECT Pollerana, Amador	VICTIM Abdullah/Lucero
DATE SUBMITTED March 10, 2003	CRIME CLASSIFICATION Officer Involved Shooting

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT

EVIDENCE

The following evidence was submitted for examination on March 10, 2003 under laboratory receipt number J322982.

Items #1-3 - Three expended 40 S&W caliber cartridge cases.

The following evidence was submitted for examination on March 13, 2003 under laboratory receipt number J323901.

Item#03-1934 (1of3) - One Coroner's envelope bearing the name of Amador Pollerana containing one expended bullet.

Items #03-1934 (2of3) and (3of3) - Two Coroner's envelopes bearing the name of Amador Pollerana containing one expended bullet jacket fragment. No comparison value.

OPINION

GENERAL RIFLING CHARACTERISTICS

Item Number	Caliber	Number of Lands and Grooves	Twist
#03-1934 (1of3)	40 S&W/10mm	6	R

The two expended 40 S&W caliber cartridge cases contained in Items #1 and 2 were both fired in the Glock, model 22 pistol, serial number YU 091 US (Item A).

The expended 40 S&W caliber cartridge case contained in Item #3 was fired in the Glock model 22 pistol, serial number ACH 297 US (Item B).

The expended bullet contained in Item #03-1934 (1of3) could have been fired from either Glock pistol because they have the same general rifling characteristics. It should be noted that this expended bullet is a Winchester Silvertip and that Item B, the Glock pistol serial number ACH 297 US was submitted with Winchester Silvertip ammunition.

SIGNATURE <i>Dale Higashi</i>	T/R #1934-03
FIREARMS EXAMINER / EMPLOYEE NUMBER Dale Higashi/248131	REPORT DATE 7-3-03

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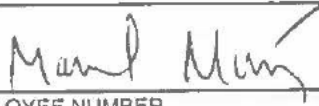

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AGENCY / INVESTIGATOR Homicide Bureau - Detectives Leslie and Martinez	FILE NUMBER 003-00028-3199-013
SUSPECT Not Listed	VICTIM Abdallah/Lucero
DATE SUBMITTED March 10, 2003	CRIME CLASSIFICATION Officer Involved Shooting

This report is supplemental to the Field Investigation Report issued by Senior Criminalist Dale Higashi on March 12, 2003.

### FIELD INVESTIGATION

On March 13, 2003 at the request of Detectives Leslie and Martinez of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Homicide Bureau, a follow-up investigation was conducted at the intersection of Holly Street and Fair Oaks Avenue, in the city of Pasadena. Several areas on the street of Holly Street were chemically processed for the presence of gunshot residues and none were detected.

SIGNATURE 		
FIREARMS EXAMINER / EMPLOYEE NUMBER Manuel Muñoz / 223804		
REPORT DATE		

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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT — SCIENTIFIC SERVICES BUREAU

AGENCY / STATION <b>HOMICIDE</b>	CHARGE <b>OIS</b>
NAME OF SUBJECT (PLEASE PRINT)	
LAST	FIRST

**J323901**



NAME OF VICTIM (PLEASE PRINT)		FILE / DR NUMBER	
LAST <b>Abdalla</b>	FIRST <b>Ofr.</b>	<b>003-00028-3199-013</b>	
INVESTIGATOR / PHONE		REC'D BY	DATE / TIME
<b>Leslie</b>		<b>2MH</b>	<b>03-13-03 1345</b>
DESCRIPTION OF EVIDENCE		CITY OF INCIDENT	
<b>Three Coroners envelopes (03-1934) each cont. ammunition evidence</b>		<b>Pasadena</b>	
ANALYTICAL RESULTS - Lab Personnel ONLY (DATE / BY)		SAFETY CHECK (DATE / BY)	
RELEASED TO (SIGNATURE) / ID #		RELEASED BY	
DATE		DATE / TIME	
		<b>03-13-03 1345</b>	
		Crime Lab	
		NO. PKG(S):	
		BLOOD URINE	
		BLOOD ALCOHOL	
		NARCO (Solid Drugs)	
		TOX (Drugs in Urine or Blood)	
		PHYSICAL	
		SEROLOGY	
		FINGERPRINTS	
		FIREARMS	
		DOCUMENTS	
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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT — SCIENTIFIC SERVICES BUREAU

AGENCY / STATION <b>LASD/Hawthorne</b>	CHARGE <b>2452 IC</b>
NAME OF SUBJECT (PLEASE PRINT)	
LAST <b>Leslie</b>	FIRST <b>Abdalla</b>

**J298858**



NAME OF VICTIM (PLEASE PRINT)		FILE / DR NUMBER	
LAST <b>Leslie</b>	FIRST <b>Abdalla</b>	<b>003-00028-3199-013</b>	
INVESTIGATOR / PHONE		REC'D BY	DATE / TIME
<b>Leslie (32) HP</b>		<b>2MH</b>	<b>03-13-03 1345</b>
DESCRIPTION OF EVIDENCE		CITY OF INCIDENT	
<b>Three Coroners envelopes (03-1934) each cont. ammunition evidence</b>		<b>Pasadena</b>	
ANALYTICAL RESULTS - Lab Personnel ONLY (DATE / BY)		SAFETY CHECK (DATE / BY)	
RELEASED TO (SIGNATURE) / ID #		RELEASED BY	
DATE		DATE / TIME	
		<b>03-13-03 1345</b>	
		Crime Lab Personnel ONLY	
		NO. PKG(S):	
		BLOOD URINE	
		BLOOD ALCOHOL	
		NARCO (Solid Drugs)	
		TOX (Drugs in Urine or Blood)	
		PHYSICAL	
		SEROLOGY	
		FINGERPRINTS	
		FIREARMS	
		DOCUMENTS	
		SPLITS	
		PHOTO LAB	
		DYEING SHED	

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CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES IMAGE

AMADOR [REDACTED] POLLERANA

N4600747

EXPIRES: 03/14/2004 CLASS: F

SEX: M

HAIR: RED

EYES: GRN

HEIGHT: 506

WEIGHT: 180

DATE OF BIRTH: 03/14/1958

ADDRESS: [REDACTED] ST, LOS ANGELES, CA 90042

PHOTO DATE: 10/19/2000 PHOTO OFFICE: 510 APPLICATION DATE: 10/19/2000 APPLICATION OFFICE: 510

ISSUE DATE: N/A

ISSUE OFFICE: N/

RESTRICTIONS: 0



SIGNATURE:

*Amador Pollerana*

FINGERPRINT:



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Address Change:



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POLLERANA, AMADOR C.

I performed an autopsy on the body of  
the DEPARTMENT OF CORONER

at

Los Angeles, California

on MARCH 12, 2003 @ 1030 HOURS

(Date)

(Time)

From the anatomic findings and pertinent history I ascribe the death to:

(A) GUNSHOT WOUND TO THE CHEST AND ABDOMEN

DUE TO OR AS A CONSEQUENCE OF

(B)

DUE TO OR AS A CONSEQUENCE OF

(C)

DUE TO OR AS A CONSEQUENCE OF

(D)

OTHER CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING BUT NOT RELATED TO THE IMMEDIATE CAUSE OF DEATH

## Anatomical

- I. 44-year-old male who, according to the information available, on March 8, 2003 at around 1930 hours, was observed to be driving erratically in the area of South Pasadena. The police attempted a traffic stop, and a pursuit ensued. Shortly thereafter, the decedent stopped the vehicle in the area of Fair Oaks Avenue and Holly Street and exited the vehicle brandishing a weapon. He was told to drop it but did not do so, instead advancing towards the officers who fired their weapons, hitting the decedent. Paramedics were called, and he was transported to the hospital and treated to no avail. He was pronounced shortly after arrival to the emergency room.
- II. Gunshot wound to the chest and abdomen: Entrance on the right chest. No exit. Projectile recovered from the left lateral abdomen. Direction - right to left, front to back, and downwards. Fatal wound; perforates the heart, right lung, liver, stomach and spleen and produces rib fractures.
- III. Gunshot wound to the right lower extremity: Entrance on the sole of the right foot. Exit on the sole of the right foot. Direction - right to left, front to back, and downwards. Non-fatal wound; only perforates the upper layers of muscles and tendons of the right foot.

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- IV. Cardiomegaly (heart 410 grams) with left ventricular hypertrophy.
- V. Cholesterolosis of the gallbladder.
- VI. Status post medical intervention, recent, with:
  - A. Endotracheal and airway tubes insertion.
  - B. Right jugular vein access in the neck.
  - C. Bilateral thoracotomies with:
    - 1. Opening of the pericardial sac.
  - D. Venipuncture site, left upper extremity.
  - E. Right femoral vein access.

**EXTERNAL EXAMINATION:**

The body is that of an unembalmed Caucasian adult male who appears the stated age of 44 years. The body is identified by Coroner and hospital ID bands and toe tags, weighs 150 pounds, measures 66 inches in length, and appears well-built and fairly well-nourished for age. The skin presents multiple ephelides scattered around and throughout the surface. The skin also presents injuries and evidence of medical intervention which will be further characterized. Tattoos are not present.

Rigor mortis has presumably been altered/abolished by prior transportation, storage and photography. Livor mortis is observed on the dependent portions of the back.

The head, which is normocephalic, is covered by thin brown-red hair. There is prominent frontal and biparietal balding. Examination of the eyes reveals isocoric and dilated pupils with brown irides and sclerae that are opaque and congested. There are no petechial hemorrhages of the conjunctivae of the lids or the sclerae. The oronasal passages are unobstructed. The face presents a well-trimmed red-brown mustache. Upper and lower natural teeth are present. The neck is unremarkable.

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Resuscitative marks are not present over the precordium, and there is no chest deformity. There is no increased anterior-posterior diameter. There is evidence of injuries and medical intervention which will be further characterized. No scars are visible on the body.

The abdomen is soft and depressible. The genitalia are those of an adult male and are unremarkable for age. There are no needle tracks. Fresh venipunctures related to therapeutic procedures are present which will be further described. Edema of the extremities is not present. Joint deformities are not present. Creptance or abnormal mobility is not present.

## DESCRIPTION OF GUNSHOT WOUNDS:

The body presents gunshot wounds to the chest and right arm which will be described for the convenience of the Examiner by numbering them as #1 and #2.

Gunshot wound #1 to the chest:

Entrance: On the right chest and incorporated with the surgical incision at 18-1/4 inches from the top of the head and 2-9/16 inches right of the midline, an ovoid wound is present. It measures 7/8 inch x 15/32 inch. It presents a peripheral rim of abrasion around, most prominent on its lateral and lower border measuring 1/32 inch in width. No soot or stippling is present. The tissues under the wound present a red-purple hemorrhagic discoloration.

Exit: No exit wound is present.

## • Projectiles:

1. A flattened at the tip, hollow-point, copper jacketed lead bullet is recovered in the muscles of the left lateral abdomen at 19-1/4 inches from the top of the head and 12-1/4 inches left of the midline at 6 inches below the axilla in the midaxillary line at 1126 hours on March 12, 2003. It is marked at the base with the letters "PO", placed in a bullet envelope and handed to Mrs. Partida, Evidence Technician.

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2. An elongated fragment of copper jacket is recovered over the heart at 1132 hours on March 12, 2003. It is marked on one side with the letters "PO", placed in a bullet envelope and handed over to Mrs. Partida, Evidence Technician.
3. An elongated fragment of copper jacket is recovered from the right retroperitoneal area behind the liver at 23 inches from the top of the head and 3-1/8 inches right of the midline at 1141 hours on March 12, 2003. It is marked on the side with the letters "PO", placed in a bullet envelope and handed over to Mrs. Partida, Evidence Technician.

Direction: The direction of this shot is right to left, front to back, and downwards.

Course: The projectile goes through the skin, subcutaneous tissues and muscles of the right upper chest producing a hemorrhagic track in the area. It penetrates through the 5th right anterior intercostal space fracturing the 5th right anterior rib and penetrates into the right chest. It goes through-and-through the upper lobe of the right lung with hemorrhage. It then penetrates into the pericardial sac and goes through the posterior wall of the right atrium perforating the insertion of the inferior vena cava. This area measures 3/4 inch x 3/8 inch in largest dimensions. It then perforates the diaphragmatic muscle and goes through the right and left lobes of the liver producing a perforation that measures 2-3/16 inches x 1/2 inch in largest dimensions. It then goes further laterally and perforates the stomach on its posterior wall measuring 3/8 inch x 1/2 inch in largest dimensions. It then goes into the spleen on its upper surface producing an ovoid defect that measures 1/4 inch x 3/4 inch. It then perforates the 9th left lateral intercostal space fracturing the 9th left lateral rib and goes into the muscles of the area where it is recovered at the above-stated location.

Effect: The gunshot wound is fatal and produces:

1. Perforation of the heart at the insertion of the inferior vena cava at the right atrium.
2. Hemopericardium (drained at surgery).
3. Perforation of the upper lobe of the right lung.
4. Fracture of the 5th right anterior rib.

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5. Bilateral hemothoraces - 900 cc on the right and 720 cc on the left of liquid blood (drained at surgery).
6. Perforation of the right hemidiaphragm.
7. Perforation of the liver.
8. Perforation of the stomach.
9. Perforation of the spleen.
10. Fracture of the 9th left lateral rib.
11. Hemoperitoneum - 720 cc of liquid blood at the time of autopsy.
12. Perforation with hemorrhage of the skin, subcutaneous tissues and muscles of the chest and abdomen.

Gunshot wound #2 to the right lower extremity:

**Entrance:** On the sole of the right foot just below the 1st toe at 1/8 inch back from its base, an ovoid wound is present that measures 3/8 inch x 1/2 inch. It presents a peripheral rim of abrasion around, most prominent on its anterior border measuring 1/16 inch in width. A laceration is noted on its lateral and medial surfaces measuring up to 1-1/2 inches x 1/32 inch in largest dimensions. Lacerations are noted closely related to this wound over the plantar surface of the 2nd digit measuring up to 1/8 inch x 1/2 inch and just in front of the wound measuring 1/8 inch x 3/32 inch. No soot or stippling is present. The tissues under the wound present a red-purple hemorrhagic discoloration.

**Exit:** Over the sole of the foot at 1-1/4 inches back from the base of the 1st digit, a stellate-shaped wound is present that measures 9/16 x 3/32 inch.

**Projectile:** The projectile is not recovered. This is a through-and-through gunshot wound.

**Direction:** The direction of this shot is right to left, front to back, and downwards.

**Course:** The projectile goes through the skin, subcutaneous tissues and muscles of the sole of the right foot producing a hemorrhagic track in the area. Careful examination of this area reveals perforation of the ligaments of the foot but no fractures of the bones. It exits at the above-stated location.

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Effect: The gunshot wound is non-fatal and produces:

1. Perforation of the skin, subcutaneous tissues and upper layers of muscles and tendons of the right foot.
2. There are no injuries to major blood vessels, nerves or bones seen with this injury.

EVIDENCE OF MEDICAL INTERVENTION:

The body presents the following evidence of medical intervention at the time of autopsy:

1. An endotracheal tube is present in the mouth, upper airway and trachea and is properly positioned.
2. An airway tube is present in the mouth and is properly positioned.
3. A right jugular vein access is present on the right side of the neck and is properly positioned.
4. On the chest and perpendicular to the longitudinal axis of the body at 17-1/2 inches above the heel of the foot, there is an incision which at the time of autopsy is closed with sutures and measures 18 inches x 1/32 inch. Under this incision, the sternum has been incised as well as the 6th right and left intercostal spaces. Closer examination under this incision reveals that the pericardial sac has been opened and at the time of autopsy is empty. There is no further evidence of medical intervention noted in the right and left thoracic cavities.
5. Venipuncture sites are observed on the posterolateral surface of the right elbow as well as over the left cubital fossa. In the first location, this area is surrounded by hemorrhage; on the second one, a catheter is properly placed into the vein.
6. A venipuncture site is also observed over the right groin where a right femoral vein access is present and properly positioned.

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Page 7**INTERNAL EXAMINATION:**

The body cavities are opened through a Y-shaped incision. An endotracheal tube and an airway tube are present in the mouth, upper airway and trachea and are properly positioned. No lesions are present, nor is trauma to the gingiva, lips or oral mucosa demonstrated. Both hyoid bone and larynx are intact without fractures. No hemorrhages are present in the adjacent throat organs, investing fascia, strap muscles, thyroid or visceral fascia. There are no prevertebral fascial hemorrhages. The right and left pleural cavities have been perforated by the gunshot wound and incised surgically. At the time of autopsy, they contain 900 cc of liquid blood and 720 cc on the left of liquid blood. Rib fractures are present as previously characterized. The lungs are heavy and congested. The right lung presents the injuries previously characterized. The left lung is intact and unremarkable. Soft tissues of the thoracic and abdominal walls are well-preserved. The subcutaneous fat of the abdominal wall measures 7/8 inches in thickness. The organs of the abdominal cavity have a normal arrangement. None is absent. There are 720 cc of liquid blood collection. The peritoneal cavity is without evidence of peritonitis. There are no adhesions.

**INTERNAL EVIDENCE OF INJURY:**

Please refer to the Description of Gunshot Wounds.

**SYSTEMIC AND ORGAN REVIEW****CARDIOVASCULAR SYSTEM:**

The aorta is elastic and of even caliber throughout, with vessels distributed normally from it. The pericardial sac has been opened and at the time of autopsy is empty. The heart weighs 410 grams and shows left ventricular hypertrophy. The epicardium is smooth and glistening except for the area where the perforation is noted. On opening, the chambers are normally developed. The valves are thin and leafy measuring in circumference as follows: Tricuspid valve 12.0 cm, pulmonary valve 8.4 cm, mitral valve 11.3 cm and aortic valve 8.1 cm. There is an area of endocardial discoloration in the area where

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the right atrium is perforated. The remainder of the endocardium is unremarkable. The chambers are without mural thrombosis. There is no necrosis or scarring of the apices of the papillary musculature. There are no defects of the septum. The great vessels enter and leave in a normal fashion. The coronary ostia are patent, and there is a balanced pattern of coronary artery distribution. There is no coronary atherosclerosis. There are no lesions or infarcts of the myocardium. The thickness of the left ventricular wall is 1.8 cm, and the right ventricular wall is 0.4 cm.

## RESPIRATORY SYSTEM:

There is no edema of the larynx. There are no fractures of the laryngeal cartilages. Scant secretions admixed with a small amount of blood are noted in the upper and lower respiratory passages. The mucosa is congested throughout. The right lung weighs 400 grams, and the left lung weighs 320 grams. The lungs are subcrepitant, and there is dependent congestion. The visceral pleura is smooth and intact on the left lung. On the right lung, it has been perforated as previously characterized. The left lung is intact. On section, the parenchymae are congested and edematous and show focal hemorrhage in the right lung where the perforation is noted. The pulmonary vasculature is without thromboembolism. Thromboemboli are not present in the extrapulmonic portions of the pulmonary artery or in its distal tertiary branches.

## GASTROINTESTINAL SYSTEM:

The esophagus is intact throughout. A perforation is noted on the posterior wall of the stomach. Hemorrhage is noted in the area. On opening the stomach, it contains a small amount of greenish thick fluid. The mucosa is unremarkable except for the area where the perforation is noted. No residual medications or capsular materials are identified. The external and in-situ appearances of the small intestine and colon are unremarkable. They are opened along the anti-mesenteric border and fail to show any evidence of injuries or abnormalities. The appendix is present. The pancreas occupies a normal position. There is no necrosis or trauma to it. The parenchyma is lobular and firm. The pancreatic ducts are not ectatic, and there are no parenchymal calcifications.

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Page 9**HEPATOBIILIARY SYSTEM:**

The liver weighs 1240 grams. The capsule is smooth and has been perforated on the right and left lobes as previously characterized. Hemorrhage is noted in the area. On section, the parenchyma is dark red and congested and exhibits hemorrhage in the areas where the perforations are noted in the right and left lobes. The gallbladder is present. The wall is thin and pliable and contains a moderate amount of dark yellow-green bile. Multiple small yellowish dots are seen on its mucosa measuring 0.1 cm in largest dimensions. There is no obstruction or dilatation of the extrahepatic ducts. The periportal lymph nodes are not enlarged.

**URINARY SYSTEM:**

The right kidney weighs 150 grams, and the left kidney weighs 180 grams. Both kidneys decapsulate easily revealing a surface that is dark red-brown and smooth. On section, the cortico-medullary demarcations are partially obscured by congestion. The pyramids are not remarkable. The peripelvic fat is not increased. The ureters are without dilatation or obstruction. The urinary bladder is unremarkable and at the time of autopsy contains a moderate amount of yellowish turbid urine.

**MALE GENITAL SYSTEM:**

The prostate is without enlargement or nodularity. Both testes are in the scrotal sac and without trauma.

**HEMOLYMPHATIC SYSTEM:**

The spleen weighs 150 grams. The capsule has been perforated in the upper border as previously characterized. Focal hemorrhage is observed in the area. On section, the parenchyma is dark red and congested and focally hemorrhagic in the area where the perforation is noted. There is no increased follicular pattern. Lymph nodes throughout the body are small and inconspicuous. The bones are not remarkable except for the fractures previously characterized. The bone marrow of the ribs shows the usual appearance for the age.

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**ENDOCRINE SYSTEM:**

The thyroid is unremarkable. The adrenals are intact without necrosis or hemorrhage. The pituitary gland is unremarkable for age.

**CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM:**

There is no hemorrhage beneath the scalp, into the orbits, nor into the temporal muscles. The external periosteum and dura mater are stripped showing no fractures of the calvarium or base of the skull. There are no intracranial hematomas. There are no tears of the dura mater and no epidural, subdural or subarachnoid hematomas. The brain weighs 1480 grams. The leptomeninges are thin and transparent. A normal convolutionary pattern is observed. Coronal sectioning demonstrates a uniformity of cortical gray thickness. The cerebral hemispheres are symmetrical. There is no softening, discoloration or hemorrhage of the gray and white matter. The basal ganglia are intact. Anatomical landmarks are preserved. The ventricular system has a normal appearance without dilatation or distortion. Examination of its basilar surface reveals that the pons, medulla and cerebellum are intact and unremarkable. There is no evidence of uncal or cerebellar herniation. Vessels at the base of the brain have a normal pattern of distribution, and there are no aneurysms. The cerebral arteries are without atherosclerosis.

**SPINAL CORD:**

The spinal cord is not dissected.

**HISTOLOGIC SECTIONS:**

Representative specimens from body organs are preserved in 10% formaldehyde and placed in a storage jar.

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Page 11**TOXICOLOGY:**

Blood preserved in sodium fluoride from the heart and femoral veins, anticoagulated with EDTA from the heart, bile, liver tissue, urine, stomach contents and vitreous humor have been submitted to the laboratory.

**PHOTOGRAPHS:**

Photographs have been taken prior to and during the course of the autopsy.

**RADIOLOGY:**

The body is fluoroscoped in its entirety. Three x-rays of the chest and right lower extremity are taken.

**WITNESSES:**

The following witnesses were present at the autopsy: From the Los Angeles Sheriff's Department, Detective Martinez; from the South Pasadena Police Department, Detective Ronnie; and, from the District Attorney's Investigation Office, Mr. Beltran and Mr. Maldonado.

**OPINION:**

The demise of this 44-year-old male is the result of the injuries sustained when he was shot in the chest with the bullet travelling right to left, front to back, and downwards and passing through the chest and abdomen, producing copious hemorrhage into the pericardial sac, right thoracic and abdominal cavities with injuries to the heart, right lung, liver, stomach and spleen. The projectile is recovered from the left upper lateral abdomen and after placing in an envelope, it is released to the Evidence Technician.

The mechanism of death is massive blood loss secondary to the injuries previously characterized.

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After careful review of the circumstances and autopsy examination, this death is moded as homicidal.



DEPUTY MEDICAL EXAMINER

April 22, 2003  
DATE

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AUTOPSY CLASS: ☒ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ Examination Only DDate 03/12/03 Time 1030 Dr. Art 12FINAL ON 03/12/03 By Art 12APPROXIMATE  
INTERVAL  
BETWEEN  
ONSET  
AND  
DEATH

DEATH WAS CAUSED BY: (Enter only one cause per line for A, B, C, and D)

## IMMEDIATE CAUSE

(A) Gunshot wound to the chest + abdomen

DUE TO, OR AS A CONSEQUENCE OF

(B)

DUE TO, OR AS A CONSEQUENCE OF

(C)

DUE TO, OR AS A CONSEQUENCE OF

(D)

Other conditions contributing but not related to the immediate cause of death:

☐ NATURAL ☐ SUICIDE ☒ HOMICIDE☐ ACCIDENT ☐ COULD NOT BE DETERMINEDIf other than natural causes  
HOW DID INJURY OCCUR?Shot by another(s)WAS OPERATION PERFORMED FOR ANY CONDITION STATED ABOVE: ☒ YES ☐ NOTYPE SURGERY Bilateral Thoracotomies DATE 03/08/03☐ ORGAN PROCUREMENT☒ TECHNICIAN Mr. Sanchez☒ WITNESSES TO AUTOPSY☒ EVIDENCE RECOVERED AT AUTOPSY

Item Description:

Evidence1) a flattened @ top hollow pt copper jacketlocal bullet is removed a minute @ 1126h 03/12/03 mailed on basePO, please collect evidence & hand it to Mrs. Partida E. Tedesco2) On elongated fragment of copper jacket & remove on the heart3) 1132h on 03/12/03 mailed on basebullet evidence & hand it to Mrs. Partida E. Tedesco4) On elongated fragment of copper jacket & remove on theabdomen wound the liver @ 23" 1 3/8 @ 1141hon 03/12/03 mailed on basebullet evidence & hand it to Mrs. Partida E. Tedesco

## PRIOR EXAMINATION REVIEW BY DME

☒ BODY TAG ☐ CLOTHING  
☒ X-RAY (No 3) ☒ FLUORO  
☐ SPECIAL ☐ MED. RECORDS

## PROCESSING TAG

☒ AT-SCENE PHOTOS (No 8)TYPING BLOOD TAKEN BY P.O.  
SOURCE Heart

## TOXICOLOGY

☐ NO BLOOD  
☐ Embalmed  
☐ >24 hr in hospital  
☐ Decomposed  
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Reason

## SPECIMENS

Collected by P.O.☒ HEART BLOOD ☒ STOMACH CONT.  
☒ FEMORAL BLOOD ☐ BRAIN  
☐ BLOOD ☐ SPLEEN  
☐ BLOOD ☐ KIDNEY  
☒ BILE ☒ VITREOUS  
☒ LIVER ☐  
☒ URINE ☐

## STORAGE JARS

☒ Regular (No 3) ☐ Oversize (No \_\_\_\_\_)Histopath Cut: ☐ Autopsy ☐ Lab☐ NO TOXICOLOGY REQUESTED

## TOXICOLOGICAL ANALYSES ORDERED

SCREEN: ☒ C ☐ H ☐ T ☐ S☐ ALCOHOL ONLY  
☐ CARBON MONOXIDE  
☐ NEOGEN SCREEN☒ OTHER (specify drug and tissue)Police report blood  
submitted from Hospital by  
PO

## REQUESTED MATERIAL ON PENDING CASES

☒ Police Report ☒ Med History  
☒ Tox ☐ Histo  
☐ Microbiology ☐ Investigations  
☐ Radiology Cons. ☐ Eye Path. Cons.  
☐ Consult on \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Brain Submitted  
☐ Neuro Consult ☐ DME to Cut  
☐ Criminalistics  
☐ GSR ☐ Sexual Assault ☐ Other



Department of Coroner, County of Los Angeles  
**FORENSIC SCIENCE LABORATORIES**  
Toxicology Report



Friday, May 16, 2003

To: [REDACTED]  
Deputy Medical Examiner

☒ PendingTox

Subject: Coroner Case Number 2003-01934 POLLERANA, AMADOR C

<u>SPECIMEN</u>	<u>SERVICE</u>	<u>DRUG</u>	<u>LEVEL</u>	<u>UNITS</u>	<u>ANALYST</u>
Blood, Heart					
	Bases	Citalopram	0.51	ug/ml	J. Lintemoot
	Bases	Norcitalopram	0.09	ug/ml	J. Lintemoot
Blood, Hospital					
	Alcohol	Ethanol	Negative		M. Schuchardt
	Barbiturate	Barbiturates	ND		L. Mahanay
	Bases	Citalopram	< 0.10	ug/ml	J. Lintemoot
	Cocaine	Cocaine and Metabolites	ND		L. Mahanay
	Fentanyl	Fentanyl	ND		L. Mahanay
	Methamphetamine	Methamphetamine	ND		L. Mahanay
	Opiates	Codeine	ND		L. Mahanay
	Opiates	Morphine	ND		L. Mahanay
	Phencyclidine	Phencyclidine	ND		L. Mahanay

NOTE: Hospital blood: Purple top; no draw date or time on tube.

**Legend:**

% Saturation

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Done

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g%

Inc.

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Grams

Gram Percent

Inconclusive

Milligram per Deciliter

Milligrams

Milligram per Deciliter

Milligram per Liter

QNS

TNP

ug

ug/g

ug/ml

Quantity Not Sufficient

Test Not Performed

Micrograms

Micrograms per Gram

Microgram per Milliliter

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## EXTERNAL EXAM

Sex M  
Race W  
Age 44  
Height 66"  
Weight 150 lbs  
Hair Red Brown  
Eyes Brown  
Sclera yellow  
Teeth none  
Mouth open  
Tongue red  
Nose red  
Chest Severe degeneration  
Breasts  
Abdomen Soft  
Scar  
Genital well formed  
Edema no  
Skin Severe degeneration  
Decub no

## HEART WT 410

Pericard granular  
Hypertrophy  
Dilat no  
Muscle LVI. PRV. 4  
Valves N (2 PV 5.4 mm V1.3 AV 5)  
Coronary unremarkable

Perfectly at anatomic  
Dilatation  
3/4" x 1 1/8"  
Hypertrophy diameter  
6 at base

## AORTA unremarkable

## VESSELS

## LUNGS WT

R 400  
L 320  
Adhes  
Fluid  
Atelectasis  
Oedema -  
Congest -  
Consolidation  
Bronchi  
Nodes

## PHARYNX

## TRACHEA

## THYROID unremarkable

## THYMUS

## LARYNX Congested

## HYOID unremarkable

## ABDOMINAL WALL FAT 7 1/8"

## PERITONEUM

Fluid

Adhes

## LIVER WT 1240

Caps

Lobul

Fibros

GB

Calc no

Bile ducts

## SPLEEN WT 150

Color

Consist

Caps

Malpighi

## PANCREAS unremarkable

## ADRENALS unremarkable

## KIDNEYS WT

Caps

Cortex

Vessels

Pelvis

Ureter

## BLADDER moderate and yellow turbid

## GENITALIA

Prost

Testes

Uterus

Tubes

Ovar

## OESOPHAGUS unremarkable

## STOMACH Small at anatomic position

## DUODENUM &amp; SMALL INT unremarkable

## APPENDIX Present

## LARGE INT unremarkable

## ABDOMINAL NODES unremarkable

## SKELETON

Spine

Marrow

Rib Cage

Long bones

Pelvis

## BRAIN WT 1480

Dura

Fluid

Ventric

Vessels

Ears

Nasal Sin

## PITUITARY unremarkable

## SPINAL CORD not dissected

## TOXICOLOGY SPECIMENS

Blood in heart + femoral  
E. O. TA heart, bile, liver  
urine, stomach contents

## SECTIONS FOR HISTOPATHOLOGY 7-15 (3)

## MICROBIOLOGY

## OTHER PROCEDURES

## GROSS IMPRESSIONS

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Date

03/12/03

Time

1:03 PM

Deputy Medical Examiner

L. H. H.

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TO REPORT A DEATH—PHONE (213) 343-0711<sup>4</sup>

COMPLETE ALL LINES. USE INK. IF UNKNOWN OR NOT APPLICABLE.

SO STATE

Huntington Memorial Hospital  
NAME OF FACILITY

Doc # 13749, John

2003-01934  
WR  
03/12/03

ADDRESS 100 West California PHONE 626-397-5000

NAME OF DECEDENT Doc # 13749, JOHN

DATE OF DEATH 3/8/03 TIME 2030

AGE 305 SEX M RACE W

PRONOUNCED BY Megdi Alexander HOSP. OR I.D. NO. 1000701

☒ EMERGENCY ROOM PATIENT

☐ HOSPITAL IN PATIENT

ORGAN/TISSUE DONATION INFORMATION

WAS THE NEXT-OF-KIN APPROACHED REGARDING ORGAN/TISSUE DONATION?

NO ☒ YES ☐ IF YES WHAT WAS THEIR RESPONSE?

DATE ADMITTED 3/8/03 TIME 2000

TO HOSPITAL BY: ☐ POLICE ☐ RELATIVES ☐ FRIENDS ☐ SELF ☒ AMBULANCE (Name of R.A. #) \_\_\_\_\_

FROM \_\_\_\_\_  
(STATE WHETHER HOME, HOSPITAL OR OTHER) GIVE ADDRESS (IF HOSPITAL ATTACH THEIR HISTORY)

ADMITTED BY: Scott Diamond M.D. ATTENDING PHYSICIAN M. Alexander M.D.

INJURIES 3/8/03 2000 PLACE \_\_\_\_\_ CAUSE Gunsht wound  
DATE TIME (TRAFFIC, FALL, ETC.)

DESCRIBE INJURIES: GSW Right Foot/chest. IVC Torn from @Atrium/@Atrium Inj  
MASSIVE Liver Injury/@Lung injuries

CLINICAL HISTORY: 33 y.o. male with GSW to @chest/Tue

SURGICAL PROCEDURES STATE TYPE, DATE, TIME AND RESULTS OF ANY OPERATION OR AMPUTATION PERFORMED

Bilateral ER Thoratomies with open cardiac massage  
8 cross clamp of Aorta  
Open the Thorax

WAS A BULLET OR OTHER FOREIGN OBJECT RECOVERED? SPECIFY \_\_\_\_\_

LABORATORY: SPECIFY SPECIMENS TAKEN \_\_\_\_\_ DATE & TIME \_\_\_\_\_

LABORATORY RESULTS

RETAIN LABORATORY SPECIMENS

X-RAY REPORT

REMARKS: ESPECIALLY SYMPTOMS PRECEDING AND DURING TERMINAL EPISODE

Patient with massive injury. Agonal Respirations/Intubated. Agonal Rhyth  
with tachycardia -> eventual Brady cardiac to Asystole in OR  
IN MY OPINION, THE IMMEDIATE CAUSE OF DEATH IS: GSW to @chest -> Exsanguination/Coronary  
Arrest

BY [Signature] M.D.

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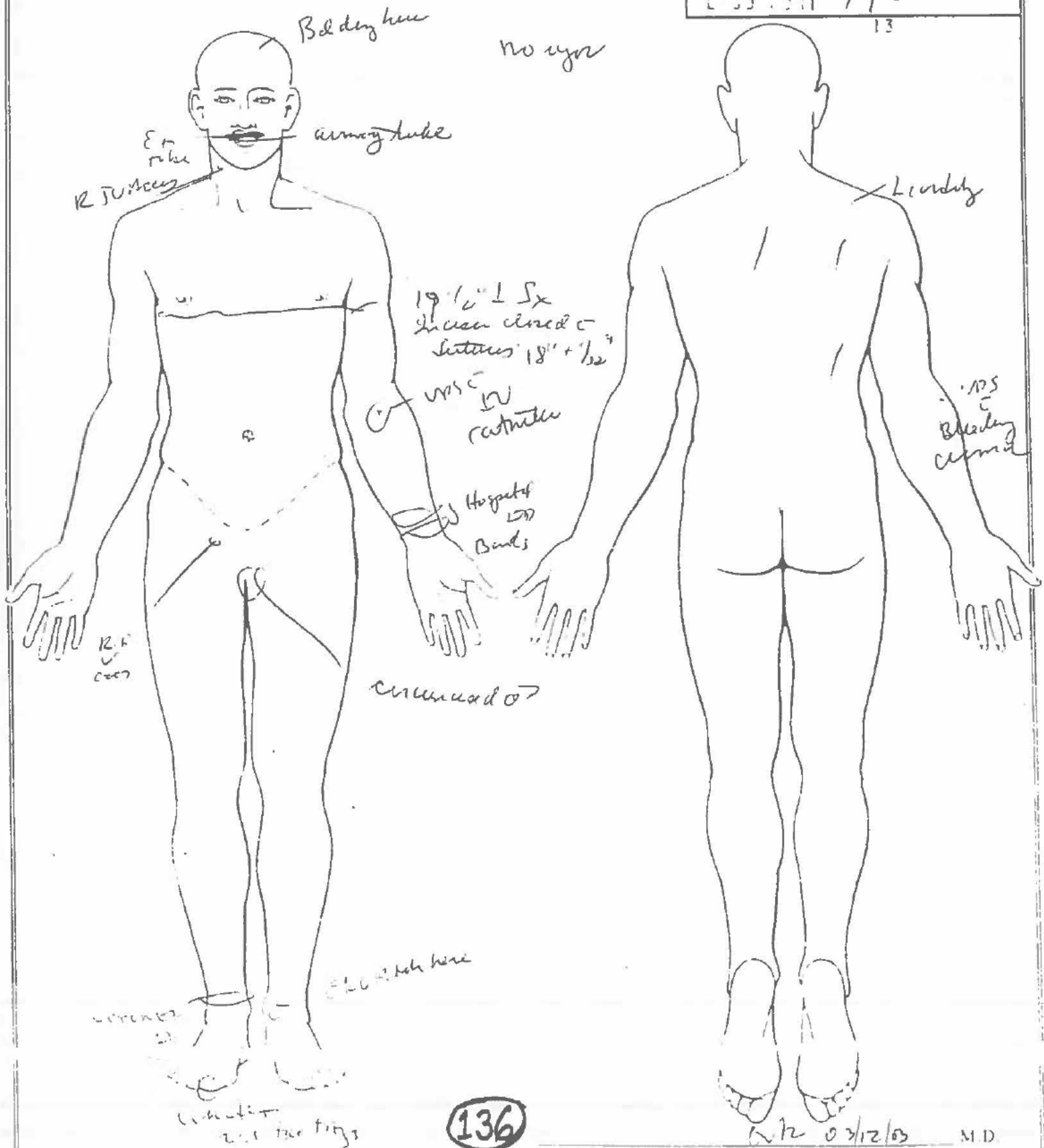
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Deputy Medical Examiner

M.D.



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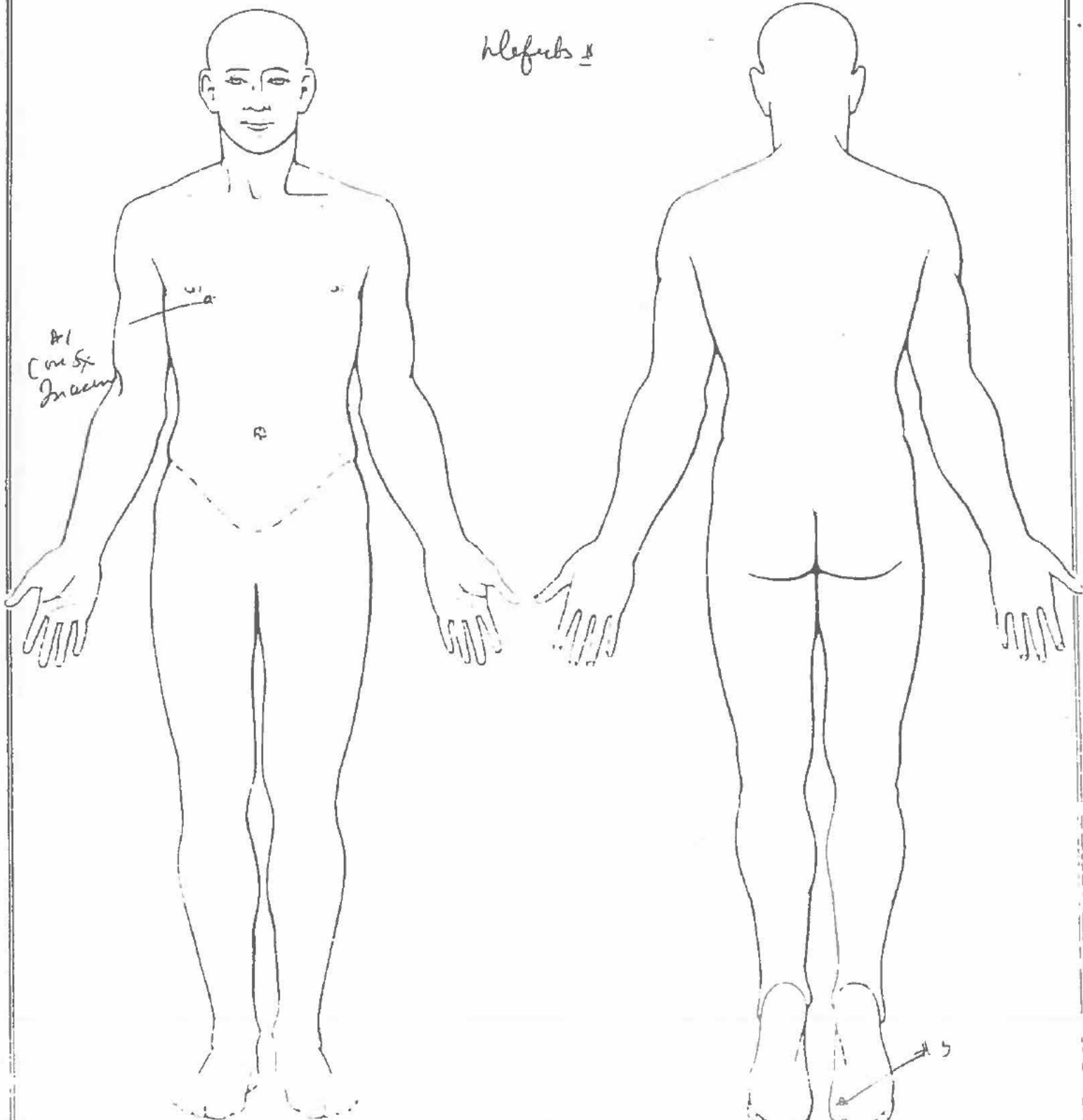
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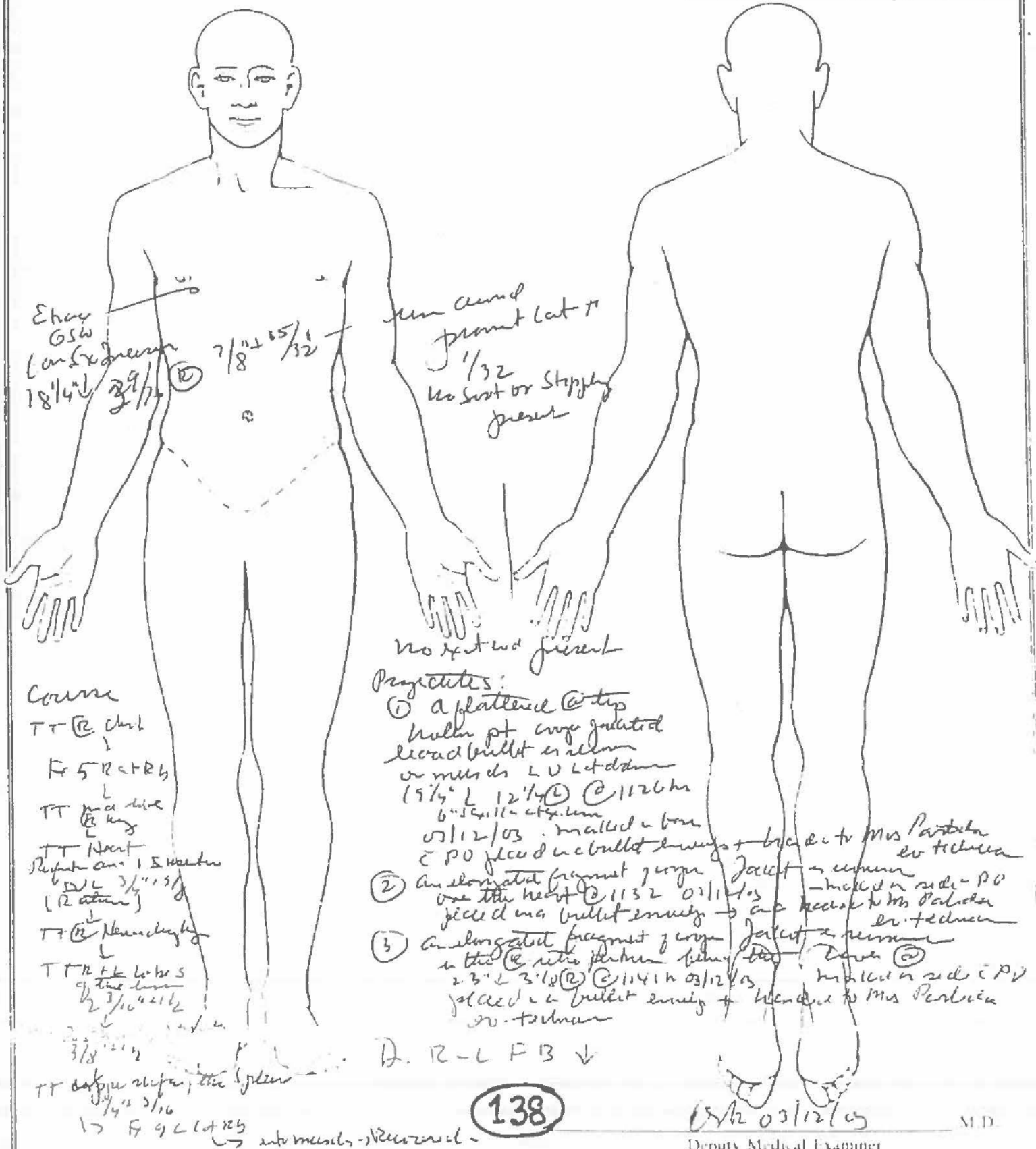
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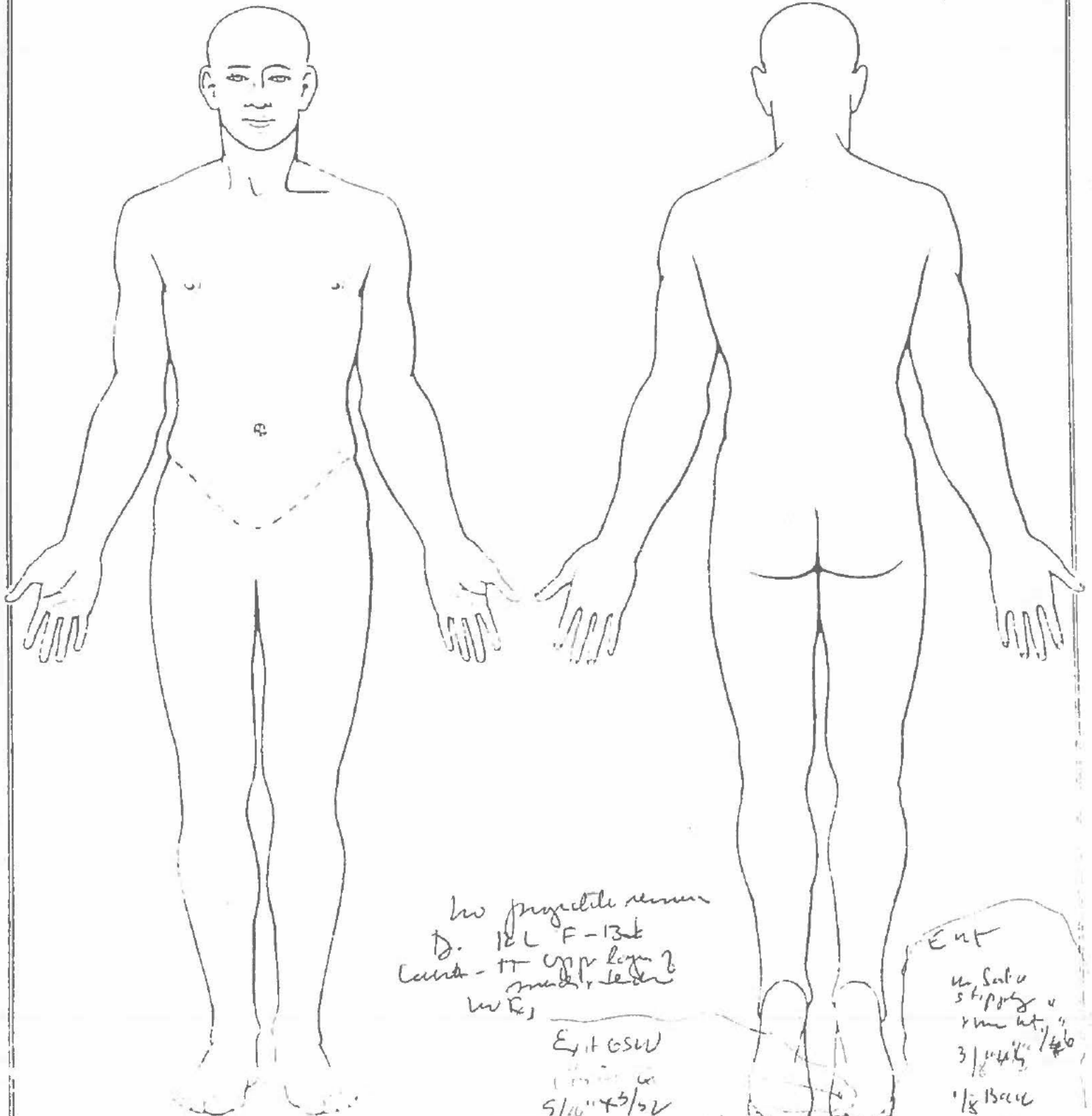
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no projectile wound  
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Chest - 11 upper lobe of  
lung, 1st rib  
W R,

Exit GSW

5/10" x 3/12

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no S&U  
striking  
x mm ht.  
3/16" x 1/4"

1/8 Bone

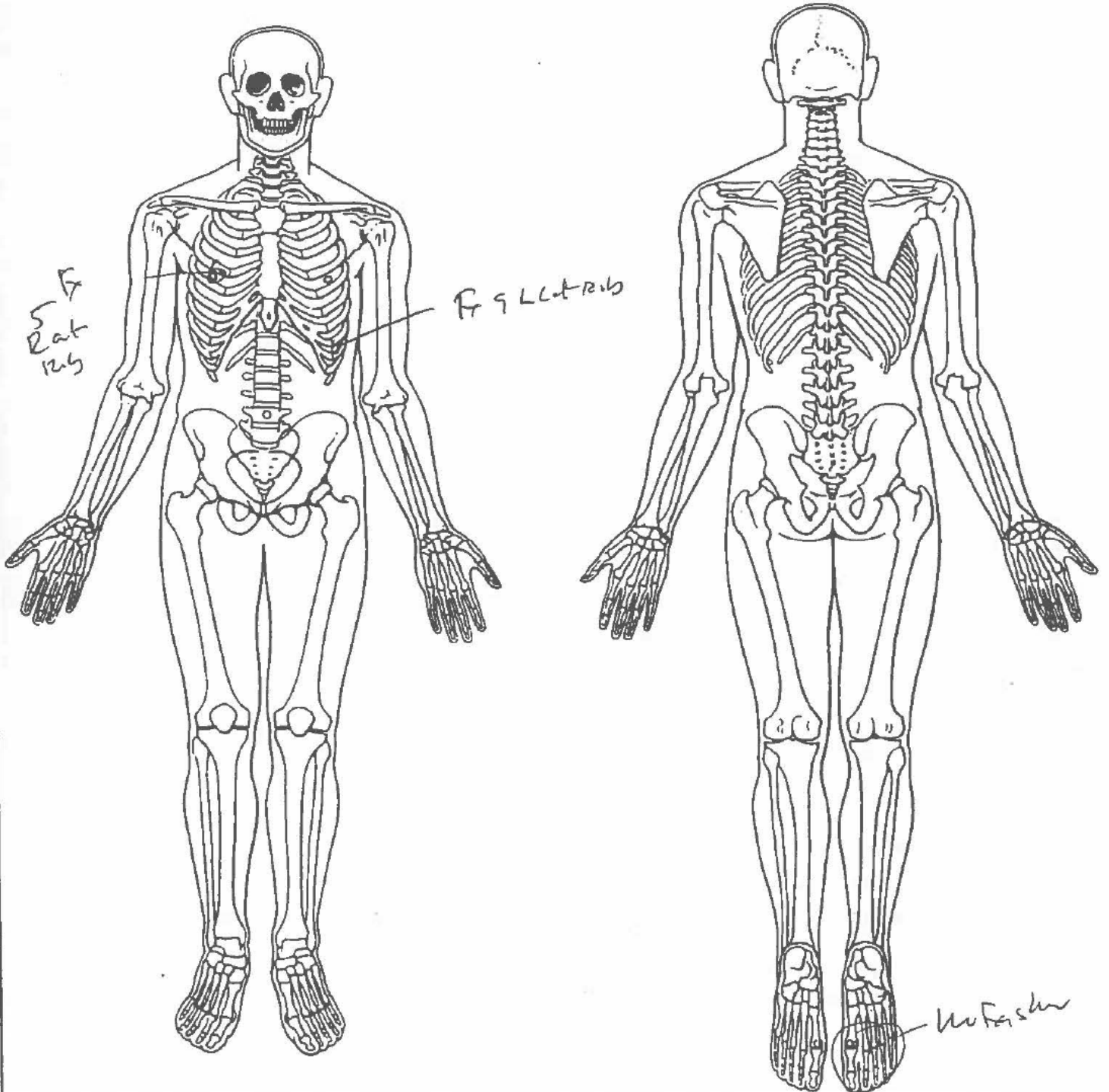
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Letos/12/14 M.D.  
 Deputy Medical Examiner

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- ☐ Accident  
☒ Homicide  
☐ Suicide  
☐ Questionable Accident/Homicide  
☐ Questionable Accident/Suicide  
☐ Questionable Suicide/Homicide  
☐ Investigator Requests Rush

Kit #

B7126

INFORMATION ABOUT DECEDENT/SHOOTING

☐ Right Handed ☐ Left Handed ☐ Unknown ☒ Male ☐ Female

Occupation ☒ Unknown

Activity Prior to Shooting VEHICLE PURSUIT - EVADING POLICE

Have the decedent's hands been touched by anyone prior to taking the GSR sample? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ Unknown

If yes, by whom? ☐ Paramedics ☐ Family ☐ Police ☐ Hospital Personnel  
☐ Other

Was the weapon found in the decedent's hand? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ Unknown - Moved prior arrival

If yes, which one? ☐ Right ☐ Left

If no, describe weapon's location in relationship to decedent

Shooting Occurred: ☐ Indoors ☒ Outdoors ☐ Unknown

Location of Body: ☐ Indoors ☐ Outdoors ☐ Automobile ☐ Hospital  
Other

Number of Shots Fired: 3

Date 03-08-03 and Time 1930 of Shooting

Date 03-09-03 and Time 2345 GSR samples were taken.

GSR evidence collected ☐ At Scene ☒ At FSC ☐ At Hospital  
☐ Other By: D. JAIME #459136 F.A.

Body transported to FSC via ☒ Coroner ☐ Contractor

FIREARM

☐ Revolver ☐ Semi-automatic/automatic ☐ Rifle ☐ Shotgun

☐ Other unknown

Make/Model \_\_\_\_\_ Caliber \_\_\_\_\_

AMMUNITION

Brand of Ammunition \_\_\_\_\_ Caliber of Ammunition \_\_\_\_\_

Bullet Configuration: ☐ Round Nose ☐ Hollow Point ☐ Wad Cutter ☐ Pointed

Other

Bullet Surface: ☐ Jacketed ☐ Semi-jacketed ☐ Bare Lead ☐ Plated

Comments:

Investigator

Date

Do not write below this line

RESULTS:

White: Medical file  
Pink: Laboratory Copy  
Yellow: Laboratory Copy

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County of Los Angeles, Department of Coroner  
Investigator's Narrative



Case Number: 2003-01934 Decedent: POLLERANA, Amador [REDACTED]

**Information Sources:**

- ξ Huntington Memorial Hospital Record # 1000701
- ξ Investigator Maldonado, Los Angeles County District Attorney—(213) 974-3620
- ξ FSC Investigation.

**Investigation:**

- ξ 03/09/2003 @ 0205 hrs: LASD-H. Detective Steinwand reported this death to the FSC.
- ξ 03/09/2003 @ 2250 hrs: F.A. Jaime logged the decedent into FSC.
- ξ 03/10/2003 @ 0005 hrs: F.A. Jaime completed processing and evidence collection
- ξ 03/11/2003 @ 0932 hrs: Lt. Macwillie assigned this investigation to me.

*The following is based solely upon information from the above-indicated sources and is preliminary:*

On 03/08/2003, at about 1922 hrs, uniformed patrol officers of the South Pasadena Police Department observed the decedent operating a motor vehicle in an erratic fashion and attempted a traffic stop to investigate.

The decedent failed to yield to the marked police vehicles and a short pursuit ensued. He evidently drove to the below-indicated location, finding no escape route.

At about 1930 hrs, he exited his vehicle, brandishing a handgun. The two pursuing officers ordered him to drop the weapon several times, receiving no compliance. The decedent then advanced toward the officers, pointing the weapon in their direction, leaving them no recourse. Both officers fired at the decedent, who was struck once in the chest and once in the right foot.

Paramedics were immediately summoned and the scene was secured. The decedent was taken to the below-indicated hospital via ground ambulance, where he was admitted at 2000 hrs, in full arrest with CPR in-progress.

E/R medical personnel opened the decedent's chest and initiated open-heart massage. He was rushed to the O/R, where he died during surgery at 2030 hrs..

The handgun brandished by the decedent was later found to be an air pistol that fires metal BB's. It was evidently made of metal and resembled a .45 ACP handgun.

Further investigation by LASD revealed that the decedent had long suffered from psychological problems and in fact, had been discharged from a mental facility about two-weeks prior. He had been admitted there for prior suicide attempts. Investigators believe that this entire scenario was an attempt at "suicide-by-cop" on the part of the decedent. This is supported by the behavior described by the officers as well as the weapon being merely an air pistol.

**Location:**

Injury: Street, Holly Street & Fair Oaks Avenue, Pasadena, CA 91109.

Death: Huntington Memorial Hospital O/R, 100 West California Blvd., Pasadena, CA 91109.

**Witness Statements:**

None obtained by Coroner.

  
Investigator: Dana F. Bee, # 442884, 03/11/2003, 1600 hrs.



County of Los Angeles, Department of Coroner  
Investigator's Narrative



Case Number: 2003-01934 Decedent: POLLERANA, Amador [REDACTED]

**Scene Description:**

N/A—Hospital Death.

**Evidence:**

Item:	Location:	By:	Date/Time	Disposition:
1. GSR Kit # B7126	FSC	DJ	03/09/03 @ 2345 hrs	FSC evidence
2. Hair exemplars	FSC	DJ	03/09/03 @ 2347 hrs	FSC evidence
3. Fingernail kit	FSC	DJ	03/09/03 @ 2355 hrs	FSC evidence

4. On 03/11/2003, at 1040 hrs, I responded to the Huntington Memorial Hospital, where I took custody of three vials containing the decedent's blood, drawn by E/R personnel shortly after the decedent was admitted to the hospital on 03/08/2003.

At 1120 hrs, I delivered all three of these vials, in a sealed "Medical Evidence" envelope to Supervising Criminalist Dan Anderson at FSC.

**Body Examination:**

This decedent is a white male adult, with a very light complexion and red hair & mustache. He was examined nude, on a steel autopsy table at FSC. He appears to have sustained a GSW to the upper right chest, however the wound appears to have been incised during lifesaving efforts. A second GSW was noted to the right foot, beneath the great toe. No other trauma was noted. Medical appliances were in place.

**Identification:**

By AFIS @ DOJ on 03/11/2003.

**Next of Kin Notification:**

The decedent's sister, [REDACTED] was notified by LASD-Homicide Detectives on 03/09/2003.

**Tissue Donation:**

Unsuitable, due to time element.

**Autopsy Notification:**

Please notify the following personnel two-hours prior to autopsy:

1. Investigator Maldonado, LA CO District Attorney—(213) 974-3607
2. Detective Leslie & Detective Martinez, LASD-Homicide—(323) 890-5500

  
Investigator: Dana F. Bee # 442884, 03/11/2003, 1600 hrs.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
DEPARTMENT OF CORONER

MODE \_\_\_\_\_ INV OFFICER \_\_\_\_\_

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APPARENT MODE

HOMICIDE

SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES

Gunshot Wound, Law Enforcement Related, Media Interest, Officer Involved

CASE NO

2003-01934

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LAST, FIRST MIDDLE

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POLLERANA, AMADOR CHRISTOPHER

ADDRESS

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STREET

LOS ANGELES

CA

90042

SEX RACE / APPEARS  
MALE CAUCASIANDOB AGE  
3/14/1958 44HGT  
66 in.WGT  
150 lbsEYES  
BROWNHAIR  
BROWNTEETH  
ALL NATURAL  
TEETHFACIAL HAIR  
MUSTACHEID VIEW  
YesCONDITION  
TRAUMA

MARK TYPE

MARK LOCATION

MARK DESCRIPTION

NOK

ADDRESS

CITY

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RELATIONSHIP

PHONE

NOTIFIED BY

DATE

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SISTER

80 SEQUOIA DRIVE

PASADENA

CA

91105

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546-25-0429DL ID  
N4600747STATE  
CAPENDING BY  
UNASSIGNED

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FINGERPRINTS FROM DOJ

LA #

MARY #  
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A06218807FBI #  
0293027T1

MILITARY #

POB  
CA

IDENTIFIED BY NAME (PRINT)

RELATIONSHIP

PHONE

DATE

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AFIS/DOJ

3/11/2003 13:34

PLACE OF DEATH / PLACE FOUND

ADDRESS OR LOCATION

CITY

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HOSPITAL

100 WEST CALIFORNIA BLVD.

PASADENA

91109

HUNTINGTON MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

PLACE OF INJURY  
STREETAT WORK  
No

DATE

3/8/2003

TIME

19:30

LOCATION OR ADDRESS

HOLLY STREET &amp; FAIR OAKS AVENUE, PASADENA, CA

ZIP

91103

DOD

3/8/2003

TIME  
20:30

FOUND OR PRONOUNCED BY

DR. MAGDI ALEXANDER, M.D.

OTHER AGENCY INV. OFFICER

PHONE

REPORT NO.

NOTIFIED BY

NO

LASD HOMICIDE - DET. LESLIE / MARTINEZ

(323) 890-5500

003-0028-3199-013

TRANSPORTED BY

DANIEL A. JAIME

TO

LOS ANGELES FSC

DATE

3/9/2003 22:50

FINGERPRINTS?

Yes

CLOTHING

Yes

PA RPT

No

MORTUARY

MED EV

No

INVEST PHOTO #

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SEAL TYPE

HOSP RPT

Yes

PHYS EV

Yes

EVIDENCE LOG

Yes

PROPERTY?

No

HOSP CHART

Yes

SUICIDE NOTE

No

GSR NO

B7126

RCPT NO

190884

PF NO

1000701

## SYNOPSIS

ON 03/08/2003, AT ABOUT 1922 HRS, THIS DECEDENT WAS OBSERVED DRIVING HIS VEHICLE IN AN ERRATIC FASHION BY SOUTH PASADENA PATROL OFFICERS, WHO ATTEMPTED TO CONDUCT A TRAFFIC STOP. THE DECEDENT FAILED TO YIELD AND A SHORT PURSUIT ENSUED. THE DECEDENT EVIDENTLY DROVE HIS VEHICLE TO A LOCATION WITH NO MEANS OF ESCAPE FROM THE PURSUING OFFICERS. ONCE HE STOPPED HIS VEHICLE, HE EXITED, BRANDISHING A HANDGUN. THE OFFICERS ORDERED HIM TO DROP THE WEAPON SEVERAL TIMES WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. THE DECEDENT THEN ADVANCED TOWARD THE OFFICERS WHILE POINTING THE WEAPON IN THEIR DIRECTION. THE OFFICERS WERE FORCED TO FIRE THEIR WEAPONS, STRIKING THE DECEDENT TWICE. THIS OCCURRED AT ABOUT 1930 HRS. PARAMEDICS WERE IMMEDIATELY SUMMONED AND THE DECEDENT WAS TAKEN TO THE HOSPITAL, WHERE HE WAS ADMITTED IN FULL ARREST AT 2000 HRS. E/R STAFF INITIATED OPEN HEART MASSAGE AND HE WAS TAKEN TO THE O/R, WHERE HE DIED FROM HIS INJURIES AT 2030 HRS. THE LASD-HOMICIDE O.I.S. TEAM AND DISTRICT ATTORNEYS OFFICE ARE ALSO INVESTIGATING. NO CHARGES ARE PENDING AT THE TIME OF THIS PRELIMINARY REPORT. IT WAS LATER DISCOVERED THAT THE DECEDENT HAD ATTEMPTED SUICIDE SEVERAL TIMES IN THE PAST AND INVESTIGATORS BELIEVE THAT HIS ACTIONS IN THIS INCIDENT WERE SUICIDAL IN NATURE.

DANA BEE  
442884

DATE

3/11/2003

REVIEWED BY

DATE

3-11-03  
1650

TIME

15:51

INVESTIGATOR

FORM #3 NARRATIVE TO FOLLOW? ✓

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1104 N. Mission Road, Los Angeles, CA 90033 (213) 343-0.

Property Released — Monday through Friday 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM  
Closed Saturday, Sunday & Holidays☒ NO PERSONAL EFFECTS TAKEN☒ NO CASH TAKEN☐ ADDITIONAL RECEIPTS # 0No. 190884Date 03-09-03Case # 03-0193AName POLLERANAAMADOR C

## PERSONAL EFFECTS:

U.S. Cash 0

Dollars

Keepsake/Foreign Monies 0

Item	No	Yes	Qty.	Description	To: Notif	Item	No	Yes	Qty.	Number	To: Notif
Wallet						Driver's License					
Purse						Soc. Security					
Misc. Papers						Passport					
Address						Military I.D./Vet. Card					
Suicide Note						Immig. Card					
Glasses						P.F. Card					
Keys						Blank Checks					

The following Identification documents are routinely returned to the issuing agencies: California Driver's Licenses, California Identification Cards, Immigration Cards, Passports and Military I.D. Cards.

Watches, Jewelry &amp; Other Items

Credit Cards, Traveler's Checks and Checks for Decedent  
(List bank acct. nos., amount, card name and no.)

## DECLARATION FOR RELEASE OF WEAPONS IN THE FIELD:

The Dept. of Coroner does not accept firearms. The following (describe)

caliber

make

model

type

Weapon bearing serial number \_\_\_\_\_ was released to:

name

badge/I.D.#

Name of Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

## WITNESS DECLARATION: UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY, I DECLARE:

☒ The above list is all the property found on the body, clothing or adjacent area to the above named decedent and was checked by me in the presence of the witnesses signed below.☒ Above is listed all the property of the above indicated decedent after the body, clothing or adjacent area had been checked prior to my arrival.Signature [Signature] Print Name & Title DANIEL JAIME #459136 F.A.Witness Sign [Signature] Print Name & Title X C. SERVIN SECURITY

Address &amp; Agency \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Witness Sign \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name &amp; Title \_\_\_\_\_

Address &amp; Agency \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

## DECLARATION FOR RELEASE OF PROPERTY IN THE FIELD:

The above indicated personal effects were released to me by \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name &amp; Title \_\_\_\_\_

Agency \_\_\_\_\_ Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

## DECLARATION FOR RELEASE OF PROPERTY TO FAMILY:

The above listed property was delivered to me by \_\_\_\_\_ of the Property Section of the Dept. of Coroner, Los Angeles County.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PROPERTY WILL NOT BE RELEASED WITHOUT AFFIDAVIT PURSUANT TO SECTION 630 PROBATE CODE OR LETTERS TESTAMENTARY.



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Please read and answer all questions before signing

WAS THE DECEDENT LEGALLY MARRIED

AT THE TIME OF DEATH? noDOES THE DECEDENT HAVE ANY LIVING ADULT CHILDREN? no

Favor de leer y contestar todas las preguntas antes de firmar

¿El finado tiene hijos o hijas mayores de 18 años? no¿El finado ha sido casado legalmente? no

Case No. 2003-1934

Case Name

Amador [REDACTED] Pollera

## HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE • CHAPTER 3 • CUSTODY AND DUTY OF INTERMENT

The right to control the disposition of the remains of a deceased person, unless other directions have been given by the decedent, shall devolve upon the duty of interment and the liability for the reasonable cost of interment of such remains devolves upon the following in the order named: (a) The surviving spouse (b) The surviving adult child or adult children of the decedent (c) The surviving parent or parents of the decedent (d) The person or persons respectively in the next degrees of kindred in the order named by the laws of California as entitled to succeed to the estate of the decedent (e) The Public Administrator when the deceased has sufficient assets.

**WARNING:** The person signing this Order for Release is liable for all damages caused by any untruthful statements contained in this document. (Health and Safety Code Section 710). It is also a criminal offense to knowingly file a false statement with a government agency. (Penal Code Section 115 and 470). Therefore, please release the body upon completion of your investigation of the death of said deceased to:

MORTUARY Cahot & SonsNAME (PRINTED) [REDACTED] PolleranaRelationship [REDACTED]Address [REDACTED] City Los Angeles State CA Zip Code 90042Telephone No. [REDACTED] Date Signed 03/10/2003SIGNATURE [REDACTED] Pollerana

If legal next of kin is not handling, please enter next of kin information below and explain why they are not handling. Attach supporting documentation such as power of attorney, taxes, etc.

Name [REDACTED] Relationship [REDACTED] Telephone No. [REDACTED]Address [REDACTED] City [REDACTED] State [REDACTED] Zip Code [REDACTED]

## CODIGO DE SANIDAD Y SEGURIDAD • CAPITULO 3 • Custodia y Obligacion de Entierro

El derecho de controlar la disposicion de los restos del finado a menos de que otras instrucciones hayan sido dadas por el finado, devolve sobre el deber de entierro y la responsabilidad por el gasto justo de entierro de tales restos pasa sobre lo siguiente en el orden nombrado: (a) esposa o esposo (b) hijo o hijas mayores de 18 años (c) padre o padres del finado (d) persona o personas respectivas en el orden nombrado por las leyes de California como que tiene derecho de suceder al finado (e) el Administrador Publico cuando el finado tiene suficientes bienes.

**AVISO:** La persona firmando esta orden para cesion es sujeto por todos los perjuicios causado por alguna falsa declaracion contenido en este documento. (Seccion 710 DelCodigo De Sanidad y Seguridad) Es una ofensa criminal presentar al proposito falsos testimonio con una agencia del gobierno. (Codigo De Pena Seccion 115 y 470.) Por eso, favor de entregar los restos del finado despues de completar la investigacion a:

MORTUARY [REDACTED]NAME (PRINTED) [REDACTED] Relationship [REDACTED]

ESCRIBA EN LETRA DE MOLDE

Address [REDACTED] Ciudad [REDACTED] Estado [REDACTED] Zona Postal [REDACTED]Telephone No. [REDACTED] Fecha Firmada [REDACTED]SIGNATURE [REDACTED]

If legal next of kin is not handling, please enter next of kin information below and explain why they are not handling. Attach supporting documentation such as power of attorney, taxes, etc.

Name [REDACTED] Relationship [REDACTED]Address [REDACTED] Ciudad [REDACTED] Estado [REDACTED] Zona Postal [REDACTED]

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